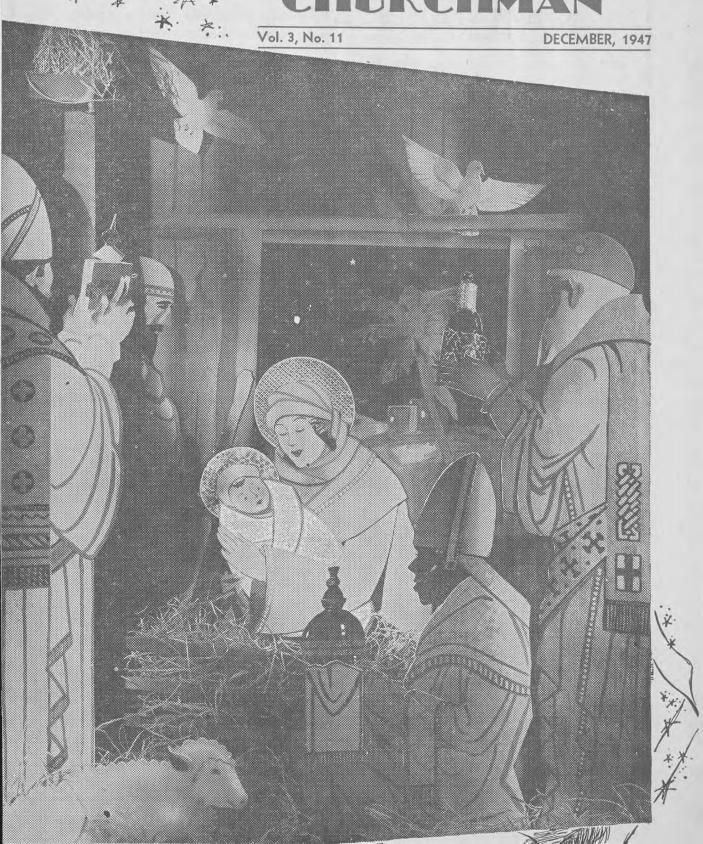
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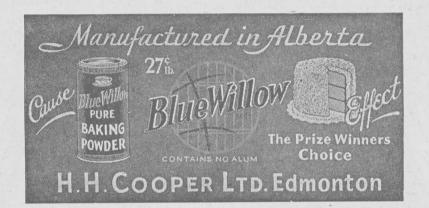


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The Bishop's Page

My Dear People:

"If looking back a few short years
At Christmas makes you sad,
Then look back nigh two thousand years
And Christ shall make you glad.

Happy Christmas! Made happy because on that day "The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us . . . full of grace and truth." We are accustomed when we read that sentence in the Gospel for Christmas Day (or as is a common practice for the celebrant to read it at the end of every celebration) to pause and to worship; and rightly, for when could there be a more amazing fact expressed in such simple words? Word was made flesh." That is what the good news is about. There in few words is the whole Christian religion. There is no need to call attention to the great and mighty wonder; just the fact. Hold on to that fact. Celebrate that fact. In the light of that fact darkness disappears from the face of the world, the future is unveiled, the past with its burden of evil is as if it had never been.

> Once I was blind but now I can see, The light of the world is Jesus.

I want to try to draw out some of the meanings of Christmas-meanings which are sometimes overlooked because of their very familiarity. The burst of unusual charity and good-will which normally accompanies the celebrations of the day does truly express the fact that God has visited and redeemed His people. We feel that everyone on that day at least should enjoy a good meal. This feeling is true to the divine intentions and not, as some suppose, a kind of pagan innovation. Christmas is essentially a demonstration of God's goodness in the flesh; "the Word became flesh." "For us men and for our salvation." "He filleth the hungry with good things." Christmas is concerned with life in the body. All attempts to divorce the body from the soul are false to the meaning of this great day. God has forever made clear His concern for what we so often disparagingly call the "secular." At Christmas He took our common humanity on Himself and redeemed it. The church which is His body can do no other.

Glance for a moment at some of the halfforgotten lessons of Christmas. Catholic worship
makes it clear that the body is included in God's
great purposes for man. We are washed with
pure water and we eat and drink before God in
His Sacraments. The Lord's Supper makes the
family dinner a holy thing. It does not separate
the sacred and the secular; it joins them. "Whether
therefore you eat or drink do all to the glory of
God."

Our church buildings—our holy places—God's houses—standing in the midst of family dwellings, stores, factories and offices are not put there to

separate the religious from the secular but rather to claim all other houses, whether for business or pleasure, for Himself. The same is true for the Lord's Day: coming at the beginning of the week it claims all other days and their activities for Him.

One mistake we so often make is that we present the Christian fact as an addition to all the other absorbing interests of life. We tack it on, so to speak, to business, sport, famliy life, etc. as an addendum instead of placing it as the fact upon which all these other interests and activities are based and without which these others things have no real foundation at all. For example, family life can have no security apart from a sense of the sacredness of marriage. When that foundation goes there is no other cement strong enough to hold the family together. The sacredness of marriage is based upon the relationship which exists between God and man.

"You, have you built well, have you forgotten the corner stone

Talking of right relations with men, but not of relations of men to God."

It is sometimes asked whether or not the church should come out boldly for some social programme, present to the world some clear plan for the ordering of economic and political life. If as we have said God is concerned with the whole man in all his social relations surely the church should have a definite Christian doctrine for the right ordering of society. Usually by this is meant that the church should sponsor some particular economic system presumably one of the many which are offered or a new combination of the best in them all. Who is to choose the Christian system? Baptism and Ordination does not equip a Christian with unique insight in economics. These must be dealt with and decided by those who are qualified. But this does not mean that there is nothing for the church to say upon these vexed questions. God has made it clear what the church must say. He is concerned with what hapens to men—not men in the "mass" but concrete human individuals. All economic systems are concerned about "general conditions" -classes, cases, hands, etc. God is primarily concerned with human individuals and their welfare. But their welfare involves their life in a society. So God has planned to create or recreate His society—the family of God, the household of faith, the Church which is His body. In and through and by means of His body He wills to do His work in the world.

Working with human hands the creed of creeds.

In loveliness of perfect deeds.

That family grows and prospers as it is united to its head. Nothing but our common faith and our common life in His body the Church can recreate secular life.

Yours faithfully,

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Editorial

The Season of Advent is intended as a season of preparation for the Coming of Christ at Christmastide. Nowadays, even before the Advent season dawns, Santa Claus has already appeared in the commercial world, and we are reminded on every hand that there are only so many shopping days left before Christmas Day.

It is right that Christmastide should occupy a place of unique importance in the minds and hearts of everyone, and, much as we may regret the commercialising of this great Christian Festival, it is the duty of the Church to do its full part in proclaiming its real significance. It is of no use blaming anybody for the enthronement of Santa Claus at Christmastide for we are all to blame, and he plays a welcome and cheerful role in the lives of us all, whether we like to acknowledge it or not. In his red and rotund person he represents an imoprtant aspect of the Festival—the joy of giving to others—and we are all the better for the contagion of his good fellowship.

The Christian, however, must look beyond the presents and the coloured lights to Him whose Birthday we celebrate, and join with the Angel Chorus in the paean of praise, "Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth Peace, to men of goodwill." "The Word was made flesh and dwelt among

us." "God so loved the world that He gave His only-begotten Son." "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son." One by one the majestic texts concerning Christ come to our mind as we contemplate the Child born of Mary in that Bethlehem stable. Never were heaven and earth so close together as they were that night, and the magic of it catches the imagination and tugs at the heart of young and old alike as Christmastide draws nearer.

But, Christmas must do more than enthrall us by its magic. It should help us to be better and worthier followers of the Christ. Year by year we are privileged to stand beside the shepherds and the Wise Men, 'to go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass.' No excitement or tinsel must hide that manger from our eyes or that experience from our hearts.

THE EDMONTON CHURCHMAN has with this issue reached the ripe old age of three years. It seems much less time ago than that when it had its inception, and we have every reason to believe it is fulfilling a role of ever increasing importance in our diocesan life. It has helped us all understand the mutual problems and progress within the diocese, and made for a much better diocesan consciousness than ever before. It has also helped to stimualte interest and enthusiasm within the individual parishes. Its chief purpose is to help every parish within the Diocese, and every opportunity for doing this will be welcomed.

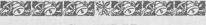
Among those to whom we feel we must express at least an annual note of appreciation is the Bishop, whose unfailing interest made the magazine possible in the first place, and has continued with each issue. His page is read with eagerness all over the Dominion. Again we say 'Thank you' to the Reverends T. C. B. Boon and F. A. Peake for their generous and regular contributions. Their series of articles have also been greatly appreciated. Others have also rendered valuable help, and we would like to commend the many parish correspondents for their painstaking contributions of parish notes each month. Without their help our magazine would lose most of its Diocesan interest. We also thank our advertisers who help to make publication possible, and we trust that the growing list of those who use the magazine for advertising is an indication that they are receiving the support from our readers which they

Lastly, we would like to express to our Business Manager, Mr. R. T. Williams, the thanks of the Diocese. He has laboured long and hard to place the magazine on a sound financial footing, and we are all grateful for the splendid success which his efforts have achieved.

To all our readers everywhere we send our warmest Greetings for the Christmas Season, and our Good Wishes for the coming New Year!

DIOCESAN NEWS





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A Clergy Conference called by the Bishop to discuss the work of the Diocese was held on Nov. 11th to 13th in Edmonton. The Bishop, Clergy and some Lay members of the Executive Committee met for dinner in Christ Church Hall on Nov. 11th and after dinner the Bishop addressed the Clergy in the Church, following a short ser-

Meetings on Nov. 12th and 13th took place at All Saints' Hall, when discussions took place concerning matters of Religious Education, Sunday Schools, EDMONTON CHURCHMAN, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Visual instruction, Anglican Advance visitation, Parochial Missions, and other matters of mutual interest.

The Bishop and Mrs. Barfoot entertained the Clergy and wives at See House on the Wednesday evening.

The Clergy of the Diocese will meet for a Quiet Day sometime before the commencement of the Lenten season.

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Canon Turner Arrives At Winnipeg

The Rev. Canon John H. Turner, Missionary of our Church with headquarters at Moffet Inlet, Baffin Island, who has been awaiting transportation to hospital ever since his unfortunate accident, has at last arrived safely at a Winnipeg hospital.

Canon Turner was seriously injured on Sept. 24th when a rifle he was carrying accidentally discharged, the bullet lodging in his brain. His left side was completely paralyzed, and an appeal was broadcast for immediate medical help. On October 4 four parachutists dropped from a plane to the aid of the stricken missionary, Capt. Ross Willoughby, an Army Doctor, Capt. Guy D'Artois, and Signal Sergeants W. W. Judd and H. C. Cook. They were to find a suitable landing field for a rescue plane, and also maintain radio communication with the outside world.

Eventually, after experiencing a long spell of severe winter weather, a R.C. A.F. Dakota aircraft, piloted by F/O Bob Race, succeeded in making a landing, and made the 1700 mile flight back to Winnipeg. Mrs. Turner, their two young daughters, and their 15 year old Eskimo companion also came out.

Canon Turner's condition was last reported to be extremely serious.

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom the power, and the

glory for ever A - M - E - N

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Almighty God, the giver of all things, send Thy blessing, we beseech Thee, upon Thy Church throughout this Diocese; the Bishop, the Clergy, all Lay Workers, and all who belong to the Fellowship of Christ's Flock, and especially

May Thy Fatherly Hand ever be over us, and may Thy Holy Spirit guide us in our work, that Thy name may be ever glorified. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

December 7th:

The Parish of St. Luke's, Edmonton, and Canon A. Wallis, who begins his ministry there today.

Also, the work of the British and Foreign Bible Society.

December 14th:

The Parish of Clandonald, Landonville, Irwinville, Marwayne and Kitscoty and the Rev. W. J. Brant.

December 21st:

The Parish of St. Thomas, Wainwright ,with Irma and Battle Heights, and the Rector, the Rev. F. E. Smith.

December 28th:

The Parish of St. John the Evangelist, and the Rev. W. E. Harrison.

January 4th:

The Bishop of the Diocese.

Rev. H. W. Buckner Advanced to the Priesthood

On Advent Sunday, Nov. 30th, at the Cathedral, the Rev. Howard W. Buckner was ordained Priest by the Bishop of Edmonton. Mr. Buckner was presented for Ordination by the Ven. S. F. Tackaberry, and the ordination sermon was preached by the Rev. W. N. Turner, B.A., L.Th., of St. John's Church, Calgary. Mr. Buckner will continue to assist the Dean at the Cathedral.

Dr. Alderwood Dies at Ottawa

Dr. H. A. Alderwood, Superintendent of the Indian School Administration, died suddenly at Ottawa after collapsing at the Remembrance Day Service on Parliament Hill.

Dr. Alderwood came to Canada from England, and graduated from Wycliffe College, Toronto in 1918, having been ordained deacon in 1916 and Priest in 1917 in Edmonton. He served for three years at Christ Church, Edmonton and later at St. Mark's. He was Rector of St. Peter's, Edmonton from 1927-24, which position he resigned in order to become Secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society. In 1927 he became Rector of St. James, Saskatoon, being appointed a Canon and later Archdeacon of the Diocese of Saskatoon. In 1943 he accepted the most difficult task of Secretary of the Indian and Eskimo Residential Schools, a posiiton which he discharged throughout the war years with unceasing labours and devotion.

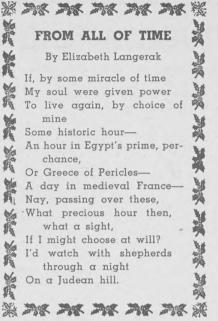
Dr. Alderwood was much respected throughout the whole Church, and had many friends in this Diocese. Our sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. Alderwood and her family. The Canadian Church mourns the passing of one of her most devoted priests.

Parable

One dark night a young German soldier, posted at a sentry-box before the barracks, heard the hoof-beats of his captain's horse. He went quickly over and offered his salute and then stood there like a marble statue till the captain called out "What use to me are your tokens of respect on this dark night! Open the gate, so that I can ride in!"

As Christmas comes again this year, we do well to ask ourselves of what use to our Master are all the outward and verbal honors we pay Him at this glad season, or the singing of the Christmas carols, if we do not give Him entrance into our hearts?





The Bethlehem Star

It is always interesting to speculate about the Bethlehem star. Again the Hayden Planetarium demonstrates four theories relative to this phenomenon. We quote, "A two-thousand-year journey backward to the time when the Christ Child was born in Bethlehem takes only six seconds, when one accomplishes it with the aid of the Zeiss projection machine in New York's famed planetarium. According to Prof. William H. Barton, Jr. there are four celestial spectacles which may have been the most famous of all stars, the star of Bethlehem. All are being shown to visitors during this holiday season at the planatarium. First a nove, or exploding star is shown. To quote Dr. Barton, 'Such new stars have been known to appear suddenly in the heavens and, after a few days or weeks, reach great brilliance.' Another theory is that the star may have been a meteor fireball. The third theory suggested that the star the Wise Men followed was a comet. Probably the most popular theory is that the famous star was a conjunction of the three planets, Mars, Jupiter and Saturn, which astronomical records show occurred in the year 6 B.C. The star, an important part of our Christian tradition, is found in only one of the Gospels." This is all interesting but we enjoy believing in the miraculous element involved.

-Herald of Holiness.

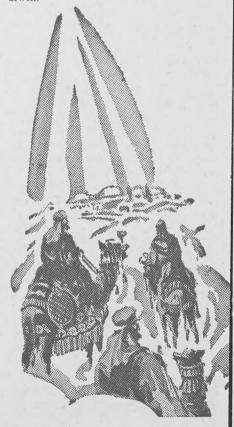
The Rev. Geoffrey Guiton Dies in India

News has been received of the death in India of the widely known missionary, the Rev. Geoffrey Guiton of Montreal.

Since 1933 Mr. Guiton had been Principal of the Harriet Buchanan Memorial School for boys at Palampur, building it up to be one of the finest in the Punjab. Giving himself completely for his boys, he has welded them into one family, particularly those in residence, regardless of their race or creed. His long experience in Scouting and other boys' work before going to India proved an invaluable asset in the work of the school where scouting played an important part in character building.

At the end of a holiday in Kashmir with four of his boys, the return trip was made exceedingly difficult by a break in the train service, and during the delay Mr. Guiton picked up an infection which in the end proved fatal.

Many in this Diocese will remember his visits here, and particularly his visit to our Summer School at Kapasiwin.



The Day-spring from on High A Christmas Sermon by the Rev. T. W. Teape

Luke 1:78, 79.

"Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us; to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace."

SUN OR SON

We are passing through the time of the Winter Solstice, when the sun seems to hesitate in his southward course before wending his way north again. Since civilization's dawn this pause of the sun has been the occasion of a celebration in honour of Mithra the sun god. This is the holiday of Natalis Invicti, the birthday of the unconquerable one. We too at this time of year come to pay tribute to the giver of light, but not to the sun. There is no abject fear, no terrified fealty to an object wonderful in the precision of its movements and tremendous in its influence over oceans and continents, abundance, drought, life and death but implacable to man's entreaties, his soaring ambitions and his miseries. Our souls are spurred to an act of homage at this Christmas season to One who "hath visited us, to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace."

HALF WAY NOT GOOD ENOUGH

The little town with the quaint name of "the house of bread" has played an important role in the drama of this present season. It was there that David was called by Samuel to the kingship of a nation dedicated to the worship of a single all powerful Creator. A thousand years elapsed and Bethlehem was the scene of another revelation of the Almighty as He unrolled the scroll of history. It has ever been the habit of man to talk protestingly of his neighbours, friends and business associates "coming half-way to him". People have got to come half-way before we will respond. But it was no use for God to come half-way-no use His sending innumerable messengers with implicit messages and definite demands. God would have been waiting at the half-way mark yet for man if He had not come the whole way as a child born of a certain woman, Mary, in the Judean hill country. Because of Bethlehem the worship of the sun has been superseded. We worship neither the sun nor its light, but the Giver of light.

NOTHING SO STARTLING AS SIMPLICITY

The birth of our Lord confronts us all somewhat in this way. We are all very much afraid of boredom—of slipping into a rut. We would relish any glimpse of eternal things that would keep us continually interested. But before you can see anything much in a straw-filled crib with a child opening its eyes and clasping its tiny fists, you must break through the "hard blindnesses and frozen certainties of conventional life." When you have dared to do away with those restrictions you will see in Bethlehem, as it has been put poetically "eternity through a moment sparkle." Now I believe that all of us have experiences something like that. There are times when our own children, or it may be someone else's children, arouse in us an irresistible feeling of affection. All precious, delicate, weak, suffering or beautiful things beget in us the same feeling. It is that feeling which has inspired all sublime and noble works. The cynical repudiator of Christianity. Schopenhauer, recognized that this glow of the soul which we Christians call love was at the root of every single act which was performed with the intention of doing good. So let all followers of Jesus take warningdon't be afraid to fan the spark of love which would have been awakened in you had you been at Bethlehem. Don't be afraid to fan it into a blaze of recognition which may take the form of allegiance to the Christ. Let many things touch your heart this Christmas —the carols and the cheery words

and the cards and the decorations and the family gatherings, but above all let the wonderful words of scripture—the Old, Old Story—touch your heart, and all the splendid and glorious services of our Church—let them touch your heart. After all, it is your heart Jesus wants before your reasonings and arguments about Him. It is your heart He wants—your affections, your love. Surely we can see that Bethlehem is incomplete without our love, that that is the finishing touch for which God in His infinite patience is waiting.

POWER WHICH CANNOT BE PERVERTED

The terrible thing about the newly discovered atomic energy is that it can be abused. The whole world is at the mercy of the tiniest thing in the universe-an atom. Of course, that is not strictly true. What the world really fears is the use of this immeasurable power by irresponsible people and irresponsible nations. Jesus was one of the tiniest things in the world of His day. He was feared, spurned and worshipped. The people who wanted to misuse and abuse His power, hated Him; while those who allowed His power to claim them and bless them, worshipped Him as their Lord. It is the same today. Those who try to use Jesus to get their own way are hindered at every step and they come to hate Him. As it was two thousand years ago Bethlehem becomes a testing ground. The one lot of people spend their time hating, while the other lot join the angelic chorus at the manger side and sing, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace. good will toward men." Surely there can be no doubt in our hearts as to which side we belong.





The Archbishop of York, Dr. Cyril Garbett, in his Royal Wedding address at Westminster Abbey Thursday said the marriage service of Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip was "in all essentials the same as it would be for any cottager who might be married this afternoon in some small country church in a remote village in the dales."

"The same vows are taken," he said.
"The same prayers are offered and the same blessings are given. Everywhere and always this service is built round the taking and the giving of a blessing."

The archbishop continued:

"In the presence of this congregation and in the hearing of an invisible audience in every part of the world you have now become man and wife.

"Never before has a wedding been followed with such interest by so many, and this has not been merely passive; it has been accompanied by the earnest prayer and hope that throughout your married life you may have every happiness and blessing.

"One of you, the daughter of our much loved King and Queen, has gained already by charm and simple grace the affection and admiration of all; and the other, as a sailor, has a sure place in the hearts of a people who know how much they owe to the strong shield of the Royal Navy.

"The vow was taken by each of you separately and individually, when be-

fore God and man you made a solemn and deliberate promise that come what may for better or for worse, in sickness and in health, you will always be true and faithful to one another until death us do part.

"You have made this great promise willingly and gladly because you have given yourselves to each other in unselfish love. Love must always be unselfish, and unselfishness is the true secret of a happy married life.

Self Sacrifice Stressed

"It must show itself not only in great moments of heroic self-sacrifice, but continually in all small problems and incidents of every day life.

"It means thoughtfulness and patience; ready sympathy and forbearance; talking over and sharing together the special interests and cares which each of you will have. And thus you will learn to bear one another's burdens as you walk on the road of life making the journey together with happiness and hope.

"Through this unselfishness you will be able to make your home an oasis of peace and love in the midst of a life which is certain to be crowded with public duties and which will often be interrupted by exacting claims upon your time.

"A happy and unselfish home life of your own will enable you to enter

more readily into the joys and sorrows of a people who have a deep and instinctive love for their homes.

Service of Blessing

"But this service is far more than the taking of solemn vows. It is one of blessing. For it is only through God's help that you can keep the promises you have made. God's blessing has been given to you that you may so live together in this life that in the world to come you may have everlasting life. The everliving Christ is here to bless you, and He will always be near to help and guide you.

"His perfect love will deepen your love. The nearer you keep to Him, the nearer you will be to one another. Let Him always be the unseen guest in your home. Never let a day pass without speaking to God in prayer. Every day pray for one another and for His help and blessing.

"So with high confident hope for all that this day means for yourselves and the nation, we send you forth from the abbey to the great multitudes outside who are eagerly waiting to welcome you as man and wife. You go forth with the affectionate good wishes of all who are here. May God's unfailing love always surround and protect you. May He day by day, now and always, give you every blessing, peace and happiness."





Three of our teen-age girls placed an advertisement in our local paper recently announcing formation of a Baby Sitters' Association. They claimed to be dependable and experienced. A few days afterward they barged into the newspaper office bubbling over with youthful exuberance. They came to tell the editor that they already had two calls for services.

An hour later I saw them in the drug store buying two ice cream cones apiece out of the profits of their labours. They met with some goodnatured banter from soda counter patrons about their new enterprise; but nothing daunted by facetious remarks regarding their entry into big business the trio licked cones and giggled their way out of the store. They had found baby sitting a happy and profitable spare time occupation.

Those mothers who had been relieved for a few hours from the care of their infants no doubt also found the arrangement highly satisfactory. It is such a relief for weary parents to enjoy an evening's freedom from this exacting responsibility which bringing up a family imposes. It is a comfort to know that their children can be left in charge of girls who are dependable and experienced.

Of course this service can only be obtained at a price. Time was when a neighbour's teen-ager would gladly stop with your baby and expect no remuneration—though perhaps she would not refuse to accept "two bits" as an honourarium. Many girls would sit as a Christian service to facilitate a mother's attending Church or a women's meeting.

But in our day of highly organized labour groups baby sitters have standard hourly rates of pay with double or triple time for after twelve o'clock. One father who lives in an American city was telling me that it costs him five dollars to take his wife and two children to a picture show, largely on account of baby sitters' fees. We may lament the passing of selfless,

sacrificial baby sitting "for free" and charge our young people with unwillingness to do anything without payment. But we older folks have created a grasping, materialistic world in which most men and women are out to get as much and give as little as possible. It is hardly fair to blame the youthful baby sitters when they organize for their own protection, to use a popular, current phrase.

After all, our teen-age girls—bless them—need money. The independent spirit characteristic of their sex in our age prompts them to earn their cash for cokes, cosmetics, shows and collegiate activities. As a father whose family rearing days occurred before baby-sitter and store-delivery unions were developed, and dipping into the paternal pocket was all the rage, I say all power to the organized baby sitters! May the magic of their modern music prove a soothing lullaby to the cherubs committed to their care.

Just a note of warning and counsel though to any girls with baby sitting ambitions who may happen to read this article. "Tell it not in Gath," but there are some older folks who are skeptical about this paid professionalism. That day in the drug store after the girls' departure, Grandpa Groggins said he heered that sometimes these hired sitters will shut the baby's bedroom door so its wails cannot disturb them while they read dime love stories; and sometimes they will even give the baby a tablet to make it sleep while they entertain their boy friends in Madame's living room.

Now such a story may be as great a libel as that old one about the nurse-maid who tested the temperature of the baby's bathwater by putting its hand into the tub. If the hand turned blue the water was too cold; if it turned red, the water was too hot. As my Irish cousin used to say, "That does well enough for a story, but how does it look?" It's just incredible. However it serves to emphasize that baby sitters must be dependable and experienced.

Those essential qualities spring from love of babies. If you do not love the precious little ones you have no business going into the profession of baby-sitting. The money motive which has my approval must be kept in its right place, which is secondary. It is said that a rose by any other name would be just as sweet. But babysitting by one other name I have heard applied to it suggests an attitude towards babies that is unbecoming to one who proposes to mind children. When Julie says, "I am going "bratting" tonight, I have a feeling that she is going money-grubbing and regards the baby she is to mind as just a troublesome "brat" only to be tolerated as a means of bringing in some cash.

Once we had a girl in our home but only once and that for a brief engagement. The children were terrified of her. They fled from her as if impelled by some spiritual, centrifugal force and stood with their backs against the walls of the room. They spoke of her in awed whispers as, "The Lady!" As a baby-sitter Katie was a whirlwind. But God, Who is Love, was not in the whirlwind.

Jesus with His profound sense of a child's dignity and importance rebuked His disciples when they would have driven mothers and babes away, saying, "Suffer little children to come unto me." And on another occasion, Take heed that ye despise not one

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Woman's Auxiliary



The President and members of the Diocesan Executive extend Christmas greetings to every W.A. member throughout the diocese.

Binoculars Wanted!

The Rev. Rollo Boas of the Columbia Coast Mission needs a pair of binoculars. Would any reader who has a pair not in use be willing to donate them for Mr. Boas' work? If so, please communicate with Mrs. A. Garton, 12211 Jasper Avenue.

Honour Ring G.A. Girls

St. Mary's— Nona Rogers, Valerie Marshall, Annie Laurie Clark.

St. Faith's—Dorothy Thompson, Marie Field, Muriel Davis.

Christ Church-Iuanita Garton.

Anglican Girls' Council

On Monday, November 10, from 5.30 to 7.30 p.m. in the committee room at the Synod office, delegates from the city G. A's. assembled for a friendly supper and later for a business meeting. Marie Field of St. Faith's was elected President and Joyce Krell of St. Mary's, Secretary. The delegates decided to bring donations from their groups to the next meeting on the second Monday in December(same time, same place) for the girls in London clubs. Suggested articles are: sweetened cocoa powder, biscuits, klim, tinned nuts, candy or chocolate bars. These will be packed at the meeting.

Congratulations to St. Faith's Intermediate G. A., recently organized, the first in the 1947-48 year; and to St. Paul's (Jasper Place) G. A. ,the next organized.

Information to Girls' Branches

Our attention this year is focused on missionary work in our own land.

"First Canadians", price 60 cents, may be obtained from Mrs. E. W. de-Laroque, 10927 83 Avenue, Edmonton. Order your copy well in advance of Epiphany or Lent in case the supply runs low and you are kept waiting.

Mother and Daughter Rally At St. Faith's

On Wednesday, November 12th, at 7.00 p.m. 22 intermediate girls and their mothers met together for a model

girls' meeting. The President, Secretary and Treasurer, (thirteen year olds) have had six years each in the Junior Auxiliary of St. Faith's. A lovely display of dolls and dozens and dozens of pieces of dolls' clothing was on view. It is amazing what this group has done in two months' time under the very capable leadership of Mrs. E. Field and Miss Davy.

These girls have been found in the Sunday School and comprise the only Intermediate G. A. in the diocese.

The typical family spirit of this parish was in evidence. The President and Secretary of the afternoon branch found time to be present. The President of the Senior Girls and the Superintendent of the Church Boys' League assisted during the social hour. Carry on St. Faith's Intermediates.

The following has been published by the Joint Committee on work amongst Teen-age Girls, representing the G.B. R.E. and W.A.

"To the Clergy:

The work of women in the church is increasing in importance. The very existence of your parish church in the future may depend on the teen-age girls in your parish today; for they are the mothers and home-makers of tomorrow, as well as the officers of the parish organizations for women. It is of vital importance to the church that these girls form their characters and develop their gifts on Christian lines within the church.

Will you allow the G.A. to help you to do this?"

"To the Senior W.A.:

To you has been entrusted the work among the women and girls in our church. Will you use your great influence to make it possible that our girls may receive the best trained and most intelligent leadership that we can give them?

By doing this, the church we all love may increase and flourish in this great Dominion. Help the G. A. in your parish!"

To all branches in this diocese

When you are voting away your surplus funds at your annual business meeting will you spare a donation for the Thirtieth Anniversary Fund? This fund supports: The Regional Worker amongst girls of all ages.

Gleamings from the Board Meeting October 31st.

A better attendance than at former quarterly meetings made some of us think that it was worth-while to have the meeting at the Cathedral. It was gratifying to hear some Evening branches answer the roll; especially Wetaskiwin Evening W.A.

The Treasurer reports that several branches have not yet paid both fees and pledges. It is hoped that those to whom this applies will soon be able to remit.

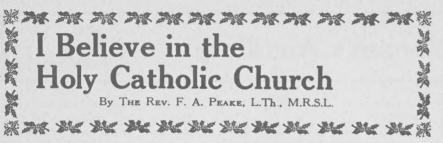
The President reported the great pleasure that she and the Honorary President had in meeting recently sixty women at Gibbons, drawn from that church, and Bon Accord and Fort Saskatchewan. Many a parish in which there are two or three branches would find themselves more closely knit together if such an annual rally were held.

Thank you! Since the last issue of the Churchman the President has been informed that the little songs mentioned in the outline for Junior Auxiliary programme came from Jasper. So we say a real "Thank you" to Mrs. Alex Mc-Kenzie, who was assistant Junior leader at Jasper, for the contribution.

Leaders' Course—The quarterly meeting was very grateful to Mrs. R. Craigie, Mrs. H. Cole and Mrs. E. W. deLacoque for consenting to attend the Leaders' Course sponsored by the Social agencies in co-operation with other organizations on November 10, 11, and 12.

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XX-John Wyclif-Rogue or Hero?

It is an unhappy fact that no controversies arouse such extremes of vehemence and bitterness as those which touch upon the beliefs and practices of the Christian Faith. Although unfortunate it is probably an indication of deep concern which Christians feel for the faith. After all, we are moved to anger only when something or someone we cherish is in danger. When, in the course of our survey of the Catholic Church in Britain, we come to the life and times of John Wyclif, we find ourselves in the midst of a storm centre of controversy. If protestants believed in canonization he would undoubtedly be venerated as a saint with innumerable churches dedicated in his honour. On the other hand those whose theology follows a different trend can find no epithets sufficiently violent. What are the facts?

In simple truth the answer is that John Wyclif was a man like anyone else, striving to do his best but frequently making mistakes; trying to present the truth as he saw it but often blinded by prejudice and conceit. He was a Yorkshireman, born in 1324. In 1360 he was elected Master of Balliol College, Oxford, and twelve years later he completed the work for his doctorate of Divinity. Of his life at Oxford we know little which is unfortunate when we remember that his residence there covered more than a generation.

During his time at Oxford Wyclif was led to enter the political field; probably circumstances left him no alternative. The moral and spiritual life of the Church was at an appalling low ebb, and Church and State were so completely intertwined that the reformer in the Church could not help finding himself a revolutionist in the State. His teaching, which was in the main destructive, concentrated upon two

great matters—the hierarchy and the doctrine of the Eucharist.

He launched a violent attack upon the papacy for its greed and immorality but the very violence of his language did his cause injury. Moreover, his attack was stimulated as much by actual evils as by an heretical idea he had formed for the establishment of a presbyterian Church.

From this attack upon the ministry of the Church Wyclif proceeded almost as a matter of course to an attack upon the doctrine of transsubstantiation. This doctrine which attempts to define the change which takes place in the eucharistic elements during the consecration had been formulated in the Church of Rome in 1215. It was not, and is not, accepted by any other branch of the Catholic Church. He continued his movement by objections to clerical celibacy, fasting communion, image worship and auracular confession. To strengthen his position and to publicize his theories he gathered about him a company of poor priests, or "Lollards" as they came to be called, who went about the country preaching.

It was natural that such a love of the Scriptures should lead Wyclif to undertake the task of translating them into the language of the people. This he began while Rector of Lutterworth, a Leicestershire village. Hitherto the Bible, though fairly well known by the clergy and more spiritual laity, as the sermons and books of devotion that have come down to us shew, was of necessity a sealed book to the masses. John Wyclif died about 1395.

Any reformer is almost necessarily an extremist. He has to be in order to gain the right emphasis for his own views. Probably that is why Wyclif was led into such wildly protestant declamations. We who come in succeeding generations may thank Almighty God that he among others was able to set in motion the purification of the

Church which is known as the Reformation. We may also be thankful, however, that by Divine Providence, and in spite of Wyclif, the Church of England has remained loyal to the Catholic Church which is the Body of Christ.

(Note—The spelling "Wyclif" here used although not the popular usage is the one which appears to be accepted by authorities on this period.)

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A Reminder to All Branches

Will you please note that the Diocesan part of the Thank Offering should be collected at your last meeting in December, and kept on your books until the Diocesan Annual.

New Life Members

Mrs. Pattison, St. Faiths', afternoon Branch; Mrs. A. Wallis, St. Andrew's, Camrose.

A Wedding Gift

Elizabeth, a book will be sent from To Her Royal Highness, the Princess Canadian girls of the Girls' Auxiliary on the occasion of her marriage; Marie Field, by virtue of her office as President of the Anglican Girls' Council will sign the frontipiece on behalf of the girls of this diocese. Each diocese is to have a similar share in this honour.

Another Request

The Secretary-Treasurer of the Living Message again reminds us that subscriptions to the magazine should be renewed early in December in order to be sure of receiving January issue. The price, if mailed to branch secretaries, is 75 cents per member.

Mrs. F. C. Young, 11249 127 St.



The Church of England in Western Canada

By REV T C. B. BOON, B.A.

XXII

"Often I have wondered how all alone, with very little help, and the enormous cost of everything to live by, and to work with, we have made any headway whatever, yet I can to-ady express my conviction-sustained by the kind judgment of Roman Priests and others who have come across our work and are able to form an unbiassed opionion on it-as well as from friends who wish to encourage-that our church is not behind any in its good influences, and that in any storm at sea, we are as likely to come to harbour, by God's blessing, as safely as any of the church organizations in our neighbourhood. The fact is that too much is often expected of us in these out of the way places. People coming here from a distance, with their expectations raised by the reports of land speculators, expect to see a large population with crowded churches and completed church organizations- which they are generally unwilling to do anything to help, and they go away dissatisfied with us who have been doing our best amidst discouragements and self-sacrifice- beyond their comprehension."

Thus wrote Rev. William Newton in his Report to the Venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel for the quarter ending Christmas 1883. As I have read through such of his quarterly reports to the Society as are still available ,the odd letters in his correspondence with Bishop McLean which have survived time and his own fascinating book "Twenty Years on the Saskatchewan" I have come to think about Dr. Newton rather in this way. If you throw a fair sized log into the middle of the un-ruffled surface of a pond, the log will break the surface, disappear for a moment, then come up again and remain floating; but from the point where it now lies gently oscillating a succession of rippling waves will pass in all directions to the shore. The stir



Canon W. Newton

caused by Dr. Newton's arrival at Fort Edmonton on the 28th September, 1875 has not ceased yet, and as time has passed, has only spread over a wider area. Perhaps like those waves which pass through the imponderable ether, they never will end. Although at times he felt his struggle was hard and he did not come through it without many entanglements and scratches, like many of our other pioneer missionaries he held on to his work with great tenacity and his life and labours are a testimony to the kind of victory which may be won by courage, conviction and determination.

It is always a matter of regret to me that we know so little about Dr. Newton's early years. He was born in England in 1828. Rev. Robert Connell (who was the first Incumbent of Innisfail) who seems to have got to know him rather well when he (Mr. Connell) first came to the Edmonton district in 1894 as student lay reader at the old Sturgeon Mission, wrote some recollections of Dr. Newton for the Jubilee issue of the Church Messenger of the Diocese of Edmonton in 1935, states that he had been trained for the Unitarian ministry in England, and had exercised this office amongst the Congregationalists before he came to Canada. Crockford's Clerical Directory for 1901 gives

him as the author of "Studies in Divine Things" (1863) and "Fresh Religious Thoughts" (1865). Lake many of our pioneer clergymen he was a genuine and enthusiastic student and Mr. Connell has a vived recollection of the really remarkable collection of books in the library at the Hermitage. Dr. Newton entered the Anglican ministry in 1870 when he was ordained Deacon by the Bishop of Toronto (Bethune), and was priested in 1871. His first and only mission in that Diocese was Rosseau, at the head of Lake Windedmere in the Muskoka district, where apparently he built a pretty frame Church, but he seems to have severed his official connection with the Parish before the end of 1873 and never to have become a member of the new Diocese of Algoma when it was formed in that year, as Bishop Fauguier in his first charge to his Synod in 1874 describes Rosseau as being vacant. However it is from Rosseau that Dr. Newton pictures himself as setting out on his long journey to the west in the spring of

Dr. Newton describes his work around Edmonton as being of three varieties: the Indian work, the town work and that of a travelling missionary. He found the first the easiest, the most independent and agreeable because it was always close to hand, the Government and missionary societies gave much help, as well as other benevolent persons; there was no travelling, "nor much wear or tear either of body or mind"; moreover perhaps he was thinkin gof his own troubles as a builder-"the accommodation is excellent". A proposal made by Bishop McLean in 1881 that Dr. Newton should take charge of the Indian Mission at Fort McLeod and be replaced by a younger man in Edmonton never took place, though after the appointment of Rev. Charles Cunningham to All Saints', Edmonton in 1891, "The little Doctor" dropped the town work and gave himself almost entirely to that of travelling missionary, ministering to a territory which extended as far as Beaver Lake to the east, Sturgeon River to

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BABY SITTING

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of these little ones; for I say unto you that in Heaven their Angels do always behold the face of My Father which is in Heaven." He one day set in the disciples' midst a little child as the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven. Top honours go to the baby-sitter who is loving and conscientious.

Christmas always, for a time at least, places the child in his rightful perspective. For the Season is pre-eminently a Children's Festival. He who during His Ministry exalted childhood came into the world a little Child. Though denied the pomp and luxurious comforts with which worldly wealth and influence might have surrounded His Birth, He yet enjoyed the richest blessing which any baby could have lavished upon Him—the deep, unfathomable love annd ardent adoration of humble, human hearts.

We are not told that Mary was favoured with the services of professional nursemaids or household helps during her child's early infancy but it is easy to conjecture that there were plenty of Hebrew maidens and women who volunteered their services in that Nazareth home.

Certain it is that there was no lack of Baby-sitters, of unique kind that Week of the Nativity of Bethlehem. Not girls charged with the care of the Child, but hovering Angels chanting Heavenly music; a foster father vowing vigilence over the Virgin's Firstborn; gentle shepherds accustomed to loading lambs out on the plains, now looking with wonder upon the Lamb of God.

Baby-sitters, all. Not busy assisting Mary as she adjusted swaddling bands, but just sitting; sitting and kneeling and meditating even as the Mother herself pondered and kept things in her heart. Sitting, not talking; but just sitting and communicating unspoken thoughts. Deep answering unto deep!

Still, at Christmas we become Babysitters, all. We sit before a fire-place or in a centrally heated room; we sit around the candle-lit board; we sit in the family pew on the Holy, silent night; as we try to keep the Child in the midst. We sit with our children at the Christmas tree and our hearts beat in unison with theirs as they rejoice over their gifts; we sit with them be-

side the piano and sing carols that tell of a Saviour born; we sit with them and help them read the eternally new Christmas story.

Yes, millions of Christians throughout the world become Baby-sitters at Christmastide. Mature men and women, though having become adults and put away childish things, think again as children For the Spirit of Christmas has the power to reduce us to the status of a child One look at the Christ-Child compels us to slip back from the austere wisdom of age to the simplicity, faith and innocence of childhood. To sit for a night with the Babe of Bethlehem is to refresh our souls at the Fountain of life.

Now my baby-sitting friends you may have thought me rather unreasonable when I implied that you should sit for the love of the child and to help some over-worked mother instead of for the money received, especially when I admitted that this is a grasping, materialistic world. Well, so help me, I still think so!

But let me here offer two relevant considerations. First, the only way we can beat this materialism is through the power of the self-sacrificing Christ. The more closely we sit with Him the more strength we shall derive to combat selfishness in ourselves and in the world. Second, Jesus promises a rich reward for victory in our effort, "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne . . ."

One of the finest ambitions for a teen-age girl is to become a dependable, experienced baby-sitter. One of the best ways for anyone to ensure having a happy and blessed Christmastide is to go to Bethlehem with the shepherds and sit with the Christ-Child.

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the north, and occasionally as far south as Red Deer. His main centres however were Belmont, Clover Bar and Fort Saskatchewan. The quality of his work, and his long service in the old and undivided Diocese of Saskatchewan had received recognition years before, when in 1883 he was appointed one of its first two Canons.

Canon Newton has left behind him a vivid and entertaining description of

the life of the travelling missionary, which might not unprofitably be reprinted as a text to be studied by prospective young Ordinands. "The true missionary cannot in this section of the mission field, fully report his work; he can only guess how many miles he has travelled; no description can efficiently picture his risks in travelling, the poor accommodation, the badly-prepared food, the seeds of ill-health sown, and the weariness of the journeyings he has endured." "He must be indifferent to luxury, or even ordinary convenience, and he should be as simple in his habits as the Spartans were . . . It is well for him never to take offence, and never to notice intentional or unintentional rudeness. His work won't bear contention, and he must be an example of the Christian graces. He may have to ride fifty miles and not see a soul, and even at night have to camp under the trees all by himself, with his horse as his only companion. All by himself he collects the wood for the fire, gets water for the tea, lays his buffalo-robe under the shade of the buckboard, and through the night listens for his horsebell: no human face near, and no human hand in any emergency to give assistance. And when he arrives back home, especially if there is no parsonage, but only a small hut where his few books are kept,—and these often disfigured and injured by the mice which have taken possession during his absence—the missionary need be no coward. The more apostolic faith he has. the more comfortable he will be in his solitary surroundings." Surely a personal testimony born from experience.

After twenty years service in the Edmonton district an endeavour was made to arrange with the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel terms on which he could retire, but negotiations fell through and he continued his work for another three years. Later he moved to Victoria, B.C. where he lived for more than ten years. He died there at his home "The Glen," Cadboro Bay, and was buried in St. Luke's Cemetery, Cedar Hill on February 11th, 1910; the tablet which marks his grave was erected by the Diocese which he served so faithfully and so long.



White Gifts for the King

(It was this Legend that suggested
White Christmas Services in Our
Churches)

In the strange country of Cathay there lived a great ruler, Kublai by name. A mighty warrior was he, who by means of his trusty sword had made himself lord of the whole land. His government was both wise and just, and was administered to both rich and poor alike, without fear or favor. So wise was he, so kind and so brave, that all the people loved him greatly. The men loved him because he was a great hero, bold and fearless: the women loved him because he was kind and courteous and thoughtful; and the little children loved him because he was gentle and never too busy to smile upon them.

And so it was to show their love for him that his subjects decided to hold a white feast on his birthday. Heralds were sent far and wide throughout the land, asking all the people to come to the King's palace one certain day which was the King's birthday. And when the day dawned bright and clear all the people gathered at the palace as they were bid. The walls of the great hall were hung with white silken curtains, the door was of white marble. At one end, on a great white throne, sat the King, clothed in flowing white robes, while around him gathered all his attendants dressed also in flowing white robes. And all the people who came to the feast were in white and the gifts which they brought were all of pure white, to show the King that their love and loyalty were without stain. The rich brought gifts of pearls, carvings of ivory, white chargers, costly garments. Thise who were not so rich brought gifts of white linen, and the very poor brought white pigeons and handfuls of rice. And even the little children did not forget to show their love to the King, for having naught else, they brought a pure white flower from their garden or gathered from the countryside.

And Kublai Khan received them all with many words of gratitude and many tender smiles. Nor did the great King regard one gift above another so long as all were white. The gifts of the poorest were as great to him as the gifts of the richest. So happy were the people that every year they kept the King's birthday with a White Feast

and presented unto him white gifts. And thus they observed the King's birthday.

—Chas B. Austin, West Washington Baptist Church, Washington, D.C.



Sunday School by Post

Sunday School by Post is religious teaching in the home, and this is where such teaching must begin if any child is to be given a good start in life. We have only to read the life of Jesus at Nazareth, how He was first taught by His mother while very young and how He increased in wisdom and stature and in favour with God and man.

Then we read of Timothy and how his mother and grandmother taught him, not having a Sunday School to attend like so many of our pupils. He became a missionary priest, deserving the title of saint, and afterwards became a bishop.

What a privilege to have such good mothers. Today so many tell me they have not the time to teach their children, they must wait until they attend School and can read for themselves. These are most precious years of their lives and they have lost their good start in life. Those who received early training in their spiritual life have proved good S.S.B.P. pupils.

We should be glad if the parents see that their children study their S.S. lessons and send the answers in, and encourage them to write the G.B.R.E. annual examination.

During the year 3050 miles was travelled by car, visiting 186 families, enrolling 120 new members, taking one Church Vacation School for a week with 38 pupils enrolled, finding 26 for Baptism and 10 for Confirmation.

The wet summer prevented further travelling.

Thank you all so much who assisted me, and gave me hospitality. It is a joy to meet such kind folks. One mother found room for me to stay a week although having nine children at home.

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CHRIST CHURCH

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By the time this reaches you we shall be into the season of Advent, the four weeks preceding Christmas, which the Church intends should be used as a time of preparing ourselves for the "coming" of Christ at Christmas time. We know how difficult it is to keep this in mind when all about us is the hustle and bustle connected with Christmas celebrations; nevertheless, we shall be wise if we keep in mind Him for whom all our preparations are being made.

Junior Church—We are glad to report that we now have in operation two Junior Bible Classes for boys and Girls in grades 9 to 11, under the leadership of Mr. Alec Richardson and Mrs. S. E. Baker. These classes meet at the same time as the Junior Church, at 9.30 a.m. each Sunday morning in the Church.

W.A.—The Harvest Tea was a great success and netted us \$94.35. Thank you to all our friends for their support. 11 visits, with flowers, were made to sick and shut ins during the last month. The T.B. patients in the General and in the Charles Camsell Hospitals all received visits and gifts of cheer. Our Dorcas secretary received a letter of thanks from Miss Neville, Hay River, N.W.T. for bedspreads sent to her.

The Afternoon and Evening Groups combined efforts to send a 20 lb. food parcel to S. E. London.

Dr. Mary Johnstone was a guest speaker. She is hoping to interest women's organizations throughout this province in the establishment of a flying medical service to isolated communities.

The Christmas Bazaar will be on Friday, December 5th and judging from the enthusiasm shown it should be a great success. We hope to see all our friends on that day.

Choir—Mr. Betts reports the Choir are working very diligently on several new Anthems also on a new Com-

munion Service for Christmas. The Choir were guests at the Rectory recently when Miss Dorothy Hamm was presented with a beautiful Carving Set as a wedding gift. Dorothy was married in Christ Church on October 25th and is now residing in Whitehorse.

The Scouts and Cubs made a very colorful picture at the eleven o'clock service on Children's Sunday. The two Cub Packs celebrated Hallowe'en with a party in the Parish Hall. The boys were in costume and a very gala time was had. There are now seventy-two boys in the cub packs.

The A.Y.P.A. during the past month, have held two very enjoyable evenings in the music room of the Public Library when they heard talks on various Composers and listened to classical recordings in another occasion. Mr. Ottley spoke to them on "Should One Always Tell the Truth". The "Birthday Party" on November 14th, was attended by A.Y.P.A. members throughout the City and was quite a success.



HOLY TRINITY

Corner 101st St. and 84th Ave. Canon W. M. Nainby

The past month has been a most busy one, with fine attendances each Sunday at the Services, and an ever increasing Sunday School enrolment. This activity makes us realize how much we need the extra accommodation which our Parish Hall will provide, and we trust that all individuals and organizations will do everything possible to augment the Hall Fund.

Bazaars—Bazaars seem to be the order of the day, and the W.A. and Choir Bazaar is to be held on Nov. 21st, both afternoon and evening, with a light supper to be served for the benefit of those coming from business. A splendid collection of bazaar articles has been provided, and we look for

the usual generous response on the part of the whole congregation.

The Young Women's Fellowship Bazaar will be held on the evening of Dec. 6th and again a large number of articles will be for sale, suitable for Christmas gifts. The A.Y.P.A. will serve tea, and everyone is invited.

Mother's Union—A large number attended the Thursday morning Corporate Communion and Service of Admission, when Mrs Hind and Mrs Marshall became full members. Another Service of Admission is to be held at the December meeting in the Church.

Sunday School— We welcome Mrs. Tingle back on the job after her illness, and hope Mr. F. Brown will soon be with us again. The Christmas party for Beginners and Primary will be held before Christmas, and the Main School Christmas Party is to be on Monday, December 29th.

Parish Guild—at the Oct. meeting at the home of Mrs. Warren a presentation was made to Mrs. Lord in appreciation of her untiring service in the Guild. A November Tea was held at Mrs. P. Johnson's home, and it proved a great success in every way.

Choir—Miss Elsie Elrick, a faithful choir member for 35 years, passed to her'rest on Oct. 23rd, after a long illness. The whole Choir was present for the funeral, and lined the walk as the casket was taken from the Church, being carried by six men of the Choir in their Choir robes. Miss Elrick was much beloved of us all, and her passing leaves a place which will be hard to fill. We thank God for her splendid witness over the years.

NOTECE

Contributions of Parish notes should not exceed 500 words for any parish, or group of parishes in one charge. Whilst each parish will be dealt with as generously as possible, it would help greatly if Parish correspondents would keep their notes within the limits of one column of approximately 500 words.

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A.Y.P.A. & Chi Rho Fellowship-

Meetings are being held after Evensong each Sunday, as well as occasional mid-week functions. Mr. F. Wootton gave us a fine illustrated talk on the United Nations.

Men's Club—A moving picture kindly loaned by McColl-Frontenac was shown at the last meeting. A Congregational Whist Drive is being arranged for January.



ST. FAITH'S

The Rev. L. M. Watts The Rev. G. W. Wilson

One of the important events of the past month, the Girls' Auxiliary Rally, was held Oct. 20th. A service in the church at 7:30 p.m. with the Rev. L. A. C. Smith as speaker, opened the evening. G. A. Honor Rings were presented to Dorothy Thompson, Muriel Davis and Marie Field for outstanding service to their church and G.A. The rings were gifts from the Life Members W.A., Afternoon W.A. and Evening Group W.A. Later, inthe hall, Mrs. Tackaberry, Miss Arva Stewart and Mrs. de Laroque spoke to the girls. A film was shown and Miss Dorothy Thompson led the community singing.

The Sanctuary Guild members were pleased to welcome at their last meeting Mrs. Robinson, a new member; also Mrs. Greene returned from holidays.

The Afternoon W.A. surprised their president, Mrs. Pattison, very pleasantly by making her a life member of the Women's Auxilary at the October Quarterly Board. The Rev. L. M. Watts conducted the brief service, Mrs. Tackaberry pinned on the gold badge and Mrs. Davis presented the certificate. Congraulations to Mrs. Pattison from all W.A. members in the parish. A gift tea was held by this group in the Rectory, November 5th. Many lovely gifts and novelties were received for sale at their bazzar.

The Evening Group W.A. held an energetic work night at the home of their president, Mrs. R. Smith. Quite a number of attractive novelties were completed for the bazaar, November 28th.

A.Y.P.A. On October 28th, a party in honor of Miss Jean Currey of St. Faith's and Mr. Norman Corness of St. Peter's was held in the hall. The members of the two A.Y's. joined in the presentation of a wedding gift and the extending of good wishes to the couple. November 11th saw all members armed

with paint brushes attacking the parish hall with Mr. Parlee as C.O. The transformation is wonderful! Thanks A.Y.

Girls' Auxiliary "B" held a most enjoyable Hallowe'en Party October 18. On November 12th the girls entertained their mothers at one of their regular meetings to demonstrate their work and to show what they had accomplished for sale at the bazaar. The Diocesan President attended and tea was poured by Mrs. Pattison, W.A. president.

J.W.A. and C.B.L. members all enjoyed Hallowe'en fun and are looking forward to helping their leaders at the November bazaar.

Scouts and Cubs held a church parade October 26th. November 12th, saw Cubs under the direction of Mr. Henry White, scrubbing the parish hall floor to be followed in a few days with a coat of varnish.

November 1st saw Mr. and Mrs. Lacey installed as church caretakers. We all welcome them, and hope their stay will be a happy one.

A Congregational Social is being planned by the Afternoon W.A. for the evening of November 26th. Further details will be announced.

ST. JOHN'S

The Rev. W. E. Harrison

Children's Day was marked by a special family service at St. John's. Members of the Cubs and Scouts attended together with the boys and girls of the Sunday School. We were happy to have with us Mr. Jackson Dodds, O.B.E. Dominion Scout Commissioner. Mr. Dodds read the lessons.

In the afternoon children and teachers attended the Sunday School Rally at the Cathedral.

Remembrance Day services were held on Sunday, Nov. 9th and a special service of Holy Communion on Armistice Day. It was most gratifying to see the large attendance of those who hold this day sacred to the Memory of our fallen dead.

The Canterbury Club of the University atended the early service on Sunday, Nov. 16th and later enjoyed breakfast in the Parish Hall. Some sixty students were present. We are always delighted to welcome the members of the Club to St. John's and look forward to many more such occasions.

On Tuesday evening, Oct. 28th. members of the Chancel Guild entertained the women of the W.A. at a social evening in the Parish Hall. A program of games was arranged by Mrs. Greenwood which everyone thoroughly enjoyed. Refreshments were later served.

Everyone is working hard these days at St. John's to aid the building fund. Five girls in the Sunday School, Marlene Hughes, Doreen Hughes, Lorraine Adams, Penny Wright and Alma Wright, have been among the foremost

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The annual W.A. and Chancel Guild Bazaar was held on Nov. 15th and was voted by all to be a great success. The women of both organizations are deserving of great credit for their untiring efforts and their enthusiasm in this undertaking.

The Chi Rho Fellowship have arranged what promises to be a splendid program for the coming year. At the next meeting the members are entertaining all the young people of the parish at a social get-together.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

Canon A. Wallis

Harvest Festival Services were held on November 2nd. The Church was beautifully decorated for the occasion. The lateness of the harvest in this district gave more point perhaps to the thanksgiving for crops "safely gathered in," for we recognize that a November Harvest Festival might be considered rather late! However, we had both joy in the knowledge that the ingathering was completed and in the presence with us of our incoming vicar who officiated at the services. Holy Communion at 9 a.m. brought out a goodly number; chairs had to be placed to accommodate the congregation at the Children's Service and a fair number of parishioners attended evensong. The children's gifts of fruit and vegetables made a beautiful picture grouped at the altar rail. On Monday evening following, the sale of fruit and produce was well attended and the proceeds will be forwarded to the S.P.G. to be used for work among the blind in Burma. A few games under the leadership of the A.Y.P.A. put everyone in a good humor and refreshments were served by the Evening Group of the W.A. Canon and Mrs. Wallis were able to stay over and enjoy the social evening. We all look forward to the first Sunday in December when from then on they will be with us permanently.

The W.A. sale of work will be held on November 27th. Many useful articles are ready for the stalls and we look for a very successful afternoon.

The A.Y.P.A. are busy on the winter programme. They are always ready to give help where it is needed. All the grain used for the Harvest Festival decorations had been made into little "sheaves" by their nimble fingers and some of the members gave considerable help in the actual decorating.

December 7th will be observed as our annual gift Sunday. Toys brought by the Sunday School children will be sent to the Frog Lake Indian School as last year. Gifts of food for hampers will be sent to our friends at a country point and the special offertory will be used to reduce our balance outstanding on the Anglican Advance Appeal.

St. Luke's parishioners were glad to hear of the recognition of Canon Hatfield's long and faithful services in the diocese. We too rejoice that we can still call him "Canon" and take this means of extending our congratulations.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH

The Rev. A. Elliott

The W.A. are anticipating a successful bazaar on Wednesday, December 3rd. Other groups, including the Juniors, Intermediate Girls, and Evening Group, while each sponsor a stall.

The Cubs had a rollicking Hallowe'en party given by the mothers. Everyone was in costume. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. T. Marks, as best dressed mother; Kenny Knutson as boys' visitor; and Duncan Hunter as the best Cub. Many games were played, and refreshments served. The Cubs attended the Memorial Day Service in the church.

Two new teachers are urgently needed for the rapidly expanding Sunday School. There are now over one hundred pupils.

The Choir is flourishing under Mrs. J. Giles. Many changes have been made. Regular attendance would further progress. The Whist Drive in aid of books supplied the immediate demand.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Tregale as new parishioners.

Recent baptisims include: Linda Marie Laver, Elizabeth Mary Hamilton, Diant Kerry McKee and Joseph Michael Prodor.



ST. MARY'S

The Rev. Wm. T. Elkin

Activities at St. Mary's have been many during the past month, and church services have been well attended, both of which give cause for much thanksgiving.

On Oct. 27th, thirty-seven Little Helpers and their mothers gathered for the annual rally and party. Mite boxes were presented at the service in the Church and later all enjoyed a lovely party in the Parish Hall.

The Evening Group W.A. held their bazaar and tea on Nov. 12th, at the home of Mrs. H. P. Hiron. After much work in preparation for this event, their efforts were amply rewarded, and the members are to be congratulated on the success of this event.

The Afternoon Group W.A. have also been very active, adding a few more members to their numbers in recent months. Their annual Christmas Bazaar, Tea and Sale is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 3rd, in the Parish Hall, and all are hoping for a successful event.

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The Junior W.A. entertained the Swimming Club at a Hallowe'en Masquerade on Oct. 31st, with some 45 girls in attendance. The Juniors and the G.A. have planned a joint St. Andrew's-tide service for Dec. 1st, when the girls will receive their stripes and badges earned during the season. A programme has also been arranged following the service, and all W.A. members and mothers are invited.

Congratulations are extended to the teachers and pupils of the Sunday School upon their success in winning the Diocesan Attendance Banner. This banner was presented by the Bishop at the Sunday School Rally in the Cathedral on Oct. 19th.

St. Mary's Chi Rho Fellowship have re-organized for the fall and winter season, with Mr. C. McCarthy as president. Other officers include Desmond Hunt as vice-president, Bob Cardell as publicity secretary, and Art Cooke as secretary-treasurer. This group have an interesting programme planned, and welcome all young people and married couples over 25 years of age.

The A.Y.P.A. are sponsoring a number of whist drives, the first of which was held on Oct. 24th, and exceeded the expectations of the members. Our A.Y. now numbers nearly 30 members.

The Choir have arranged a program of Christmas music for presentation on Monday, December 15th, at 8 p.m. in the Church. Congregational carol singing will be a feature of the evening, and all members of the parish are asked to keep this event and date in mind.

There was an appeal made in these columns two months ago for a volunteer to act as parish correspondent for the Churchman, but to date no one has volunteered to act in this capacity. That is the reason why these notes did not appear in last month's issue. Will someone please volunteer to write up the Churchman notes each month?



ST. PAUL'S

145th St. and 102nd Ave. The Rev. G. D. Kelly

We are happy to report that during the past month three groups have been organized or re-organized for the younger members of our Parish and Community. Mr. and Mrs. H. Groves are giving the Cub Pack excellent leadership and are being assisted by Allen New. The Scouts are now under way with Mr. D. Weir as Scoutmaster and we feel very fortunate in having him take over this important part of our work. As might be expected when the leaders themselves are so enthusiastic, numbers have more than doubled within the month. We shall require

the assistance of a Parents' Committee and look forward to their wholehearted co-operation. The newly organized girls' group is a branch of the G.A. under the capable leadership of Mrs. L. Cameron. It is open to girls from 13 to 16 years of age and meets every Friday evening at 7 o'clock. Six girls attended the first meeting but there is every indication that by next month we shall be reporting a membership of at least twelve.

Two new members have been added to our Sunday School staff. Mrs. L. Cameron taking over the Senior Girls and Lucy Dallamore accepting the duties of secretary. The annual Christmas party is being planned for December the 19th when the children will gather together for supper and later will entertain their mothers and fathers with a variety program. Rumour has it that Santa Claus himself is making a special effort to be in attendance.

The Choir Concert, to which we referred in last month's column was held on November 12th. Our sincere thanks are extended to all those artists who contributed to a most enjoyable program. The Community Hall was filled to capacity and the unanimous decision was that the evening was an outstanding success both from the entertainment and from the financial points of view. Congratulations to our Choir and particularly to Mrs. H. P. Brown, our choir leader.

At the time of writing the W.A., both Afternoon and Evening branches, are busy preparing for the Annual Bazaar to be held in the afternoon of Wednesday, December 3rd.

Due to the preparation necessary for the Bazaar we are sorry that we cannot be host to the Sunday School Association on December 2nd as planned. St. John's has very kindly agreed to take our turn and we shall look forward to having the Association with us at a later date.

There are eight men in our Parish who are keeping up a very brave and bold front but who inwardly are just a little uneasy. The reason for it being that we have challenged St. John's Vestry to a bowling match and now discover that few of us have played the game of recent years. It wouldn't be fair to divulge the names of the men who were seen heading off to one of the alleys at the disgraceful hour of 11 p.m., "just to get a little practice," but we hope to see great things of them on Friday, November 21st, when the battle begins. Win or lose we are looking forward to an evening of happy fellowship together.

Our sick list shows that Mrs. J. A. Dorman, Mr. J. H. Green, Mr. W. Gardiner and Mr. H. Reid have all been in hospital during the month. We are happy to report that good progress can be reported for most of them and we look forward to having them back with us in the near future.

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ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH

96th Street and 109th Avenue The Rev. C. E. F. Wolff

Remembrance Day was observed at St. Stephen's by a Solemn Requiem celebrated by the Rector and sung to Merbecke's setting by the choir under the direction of the organist and choirmaster (Mr. A. C. Ballantine), who has been acting in that capacity for the past few months in Mrs. J. A. Swaffield's absence at Vancouver.

At eleven o'clock, the choir being already in their places, "the hour" was announced by the tolling of the bell and the two minutes' silence was observed in the church. Completion of the silence was announced, again by the tolling of the bell, and the celebrant and his servers entered the sanctuary, the choir proceeding to the Gradual and the Sequence.

There was a good congregation and choir to unite in singing the Plainsong service taken into use on this occasion for the first time at St. Stephen's.

Renovation of the physical fabric of the church has now progressed to a point where work can now be begun on the interior, the whole of which can be done with just a little more help. By the time these lines appear in print the colour scheme which has decorated the sanctuary for so long will have disappeared and have been replaced by another which all parishioners, it is believed, will find more restful.

St. Stephen's is glad to welcome home Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Swaffield after a trip to Vancouver, which became protracted by Mr. Swaffield's serious illness, from which he has made a good recovery. It is pleasant also to record that Mrs. Wilson is improving after her serious illness.

On the third Monday of October, the Men's Guild resumed activities for the season. Guild meetings will be held hereafter on the third Monday evening of each month at 8:30, and all men are invited. On the third Sunday of each month the Guild men will take active parts in Evensong, the first of such services having been held on Sunday evening, 16th November.

The Willing Workers held an eminently successful bazaar on Wednesday, November 5th, a good result of labours of the past year for which thanks to all who helped.

The A.Y.P.A. had a very nice Hallowe'en party on October 31st and will give a Carol tea in aid of the church

renovation fund on Saturday December 5th. All who read these notes are especially asked to keep this date free. These young people's attendance at church and especially at their corporate communion has earned great commendation.

Holy Baptism: Lawrence Douglas Fiddler, Bryan David St. Arnault, Stanley Robert Mutch, Kathleen Rose Clarkson, Rose Mary Burry.

Burial: Carla Gail Kochanuk, aged two months.

Services:

Sundays: Holy Communion at 8 a.m. Church school, 10 a.m.; sung Eucharist, 11 a.m.; Evensong, 7.30 p.m.

Weekdays: Holy Communion on Monday at 8, Wednesday at 10, Thursday at 7 and Saturday at 8 a.m. Evensong at 5.30 p.m., 7.30 p.m. on Saturdays. Confessions: After Evensong on Saturday or by appointment.

ST. GEORGE'S, FT. SASK.

The Rev. W. W. Buxton

The past month has been an active one in church matters. Our Sunday School members (thanks to the kindness of Mr. C. H. Williams, Mr. A. B. Dawson and Mr. C. P. Brabbins who provided transportation for the children) were able to attend the Sunday School Rally service which was held in the Cathedral, Oct. 19. Unfortunately, George Holt who was awarded the G.B.R.E. Junior Bible Class award was unable to attend.

On October 29, several members of the W.A. and parish motored to Gibbons to attend a joint meeting of Bon Accord, Gibbons and Fort W.A. Interesting talks on missionary work of the W.A. were given by Mrs. S. F. Tackaberry, Diocesan President and by Mrs. Chamberlain. The meeting was opened and closed by prayers by the Rev. W. W. Buxton. Then followed a delightful social hour during which lunch was served by members of Gibbons W.A.

We were honored by having the Bishop of Edmonton conduct the service of Holy Communion at St. George's on Sunday November 9th

Sunday, November 9th.

Our practices for the operetta, which is to be sponsored by the Choir and to be presented in the spring, got underway this month. Thursday evenings are our practice nights and enthusiasm for the operetta is high.

On Friday evening, Nov. 15th, members of the congregation met in the Union Hall to honor Mrs. G. H. Turner who has been our organist for thirteen years. She retired as organist this summer and to show our gratitude for her devotion and love of her work during these years we tried in a small way to give our thanks to her that evening.

Military whist was played and following this a dainty buffet lunch was served at which tea was poured by Mrs. J. Carscadden and coffee was poured by Mrs. W. H. Byers.

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ST. PAUL'S, LEDUC

The Church services are in charge of the Rev. A. Elliott and the Rev. W. Harrison of Edmonton.

W.A.—The W.A. met at the home of Mrs. C. T. Dickson with six members present. Final preparations were made for the bazaar to be held at the home of the president Mrs. H. Moss.

The Choir met in the parish room recently when they entertained for Mrs. H. Moss and their leaders. A very enjoyable time was spent.

The Sunday School regrets the departure of Mrs. Moss to Edmonton. She has been a faithful teacher for a number of years.

A special meeting of the congregation was held in the parish room to appoint Mr. C. T. Dickson as vicar's warden due to the resignation of Mr. H. Moss who is leaving to reside in Edmonton. Mr. Moss has held the office of vicar's warden and people's warden for a number of years and he will be greatly missed in the congregation. We wish them both every happiness in their new home.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST Grand Centre, Alta.

Since July only fwo services were taken in the Church and these through the kindness of Mr. Thomas of St. Paul's United Church, Cold Lake.

On Sunday, Oct. 12th the Rev. Mr. Sneddon from Bonnyville United Church conducted the Funeral Service of Mr. Edward Reed. We are glad to be able to state that Mr. Reed received his last Communion during Father Lockyer's visit in July. It was known at that time that he could not recover. He passed to his rest on Oct. 10th. A great many attended the Service, some coming from over a hundred miles to the South. Mr. Reed was well known in this district as a man of upright character and sound principles, and he will be greatly missed. The Church congregation and all in the district express their sympathy to Mr. Reed's many relatives who reside around Grande Centre. Edward Reed was buried beside his wife in the Church Cemetery.

Regular Church Services commenced again on Sunday Nov. 2nd, conducted by Mr. H. J. Ayres. This service was taken as all Saints' Day combined with Harvest Thanksgiving and the remembrance before God of All Souls.

On Saturday, Nov. 8th the Funeral Service for Mr. Barney Fhur was held. Mr. Fhur passed to his rest on Tuesday, Nov. 4th at the great age of 89. Barney was well known throughout this whole country, having first come to Grand Centre district 1902. He was beloved by all who knew him as a good friend and a man of sterling qualities. Born in Amsterdam, Holland, his life showed the sturdy qualities of the Netherlanders, and this he did by working up to his last day on earth. We shall all miss Barney, but we will remember his kindness and generosity to the Church during the years the building was under construction. We wish as a congregation, to express our sympathy to Mrs. and Miss Ellwood in their loss of a faithful brother and uncle.

On Sunday, Nov. 9th Remembrance Day Service was held at 3 p.m. with some members of the Grand Centre Legion present. It is a pity that more do not turn out to give thanks to God for deliverance from a terrible tyrrany, and to remember those who gave their lives that we might continue to have liberty.

At the present time the Ladies' Guild and others are busy preparing for our Annual Dinner and sale to be held on Friday, Nov. 14th. It is hoped that this day will yield well, so that the

heavy expenses outstanding on the Hall and Rectory may be met. The Ladies' Guild wishes to sincerely thank all those who have donated chicken, cake, etc., towards this dinner.

On Tuesday, Nov. 25th we expect to have Father Wolff from St. Stephens Church, Edmonton with us. He will administer Holy Communion at 11 a.m. and solemnize a wedding. All Confirmed people should take this opportunity to make their Communions, as this will be the last opportunity before the Bishop comes to us for Christmas Services on ODec. 20th.

We gratefully acknowledge the good work done by Mr. Mulkay and others who helped to put the furnace in the Recreation Hall, and also put most of the siding on the biulding. Our thanks go also to those who were unable to give time themselves on this work and who paid others to take their place.

Holy Baptism:— Lawrence Douglas Fiddler in St. Stephens Church, Edmonton.

R.I.P.—Edward Reed. Barney Fhur.



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DRAYTON VALLEY

Since the departure of Miss Onions and Miss Scott, the mission seems very lonely but we thank the ladies who meet every week to "keep the home fires burning" until we get another church worker sent to us.

On Oct. 5th Bishop Barfoot paid us a visit for our Harvest Festival. Holy Communion was celebrated also.

In between the Bishop's visits the church is being carried on by the W.A. members and a general congregation.

On November 2nd; the Bishop was again with us, and we were pleased to welcome our friends from Violet Grove.

A large crowd was in attendance for Holy Communion, also a lovely service of Dedication of our Altar which was given in loving memory of Nellie Maunda Jonzon, one of our first J.W.A. members, whom we have missed very much.

On Nov. 29th we are holding our Anuual Sale of work, Chicken Supper and Whist Drive in the Drayton Valley Hall.

Nov. 2.—Baptism: Twin babies of Mr. and Mrs. George Durham (of Violet Grove), Kathleen Hannah and Kenneth Walter; also daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bazil Kazor of Drayton Valley, Marie Ann.

ST. CATHERINE'S, EDSON

We were fortunate in having the Rev. W. Buxton from Fort Saskatchewan conduct the services here on November 9th. Mr. Buxton also spoke at the Memorial Service in the afternoon at the Legion Hall. Although he was unable to stay for the parishioners' meeting after the evening service, it was felt that his address was most helpful in animating that gathering, which was unanimous in its desire to



undertake all possible improvements to the Rectory.

The ladies of the W.A. catered to the largest Legion banquet yet held here on the 11th, some of them putting in long and arduous work on the project.

Baptisms: Marjorie Alice Stappard, May 11th; Roy Magnus Pearson, August 24th; Daniel Lee Warbecky, August 27th; Marilyn Leigh Wilson, August 28th; Lorraine Ann Johnson, Dennis Eric Johnson, Marilyn Faith Johnson, Brian Douglas Johnson; Edith Lynne Gregg, October 5th.

ST. MARY and ST. GEORGE JASPER

The Rev. T. C. B. Boon

On Children's Day and Youth Sunday there was an encouraging number of our younger parents at the Evening Service as a result of a special invitation. The Sermon stressed the Three R's of Religious Education: Reverence, Respect, Responsibility. The Lessons were read by Len Crowther and Ramsey Heckley, who have also helped by reading the Lessons at other Sunday Evening Services. It is a fine thing to have the help of the younger men on the congregation in this way.

The Annual Sale of work of the W.A. will be held on Wednesday, December 3rd. If this reaches you in time, please accept it as a cordial invitation to come. The E.B.W.A. is convening the Afternoon Tea on this occasion. Both the G.A. and the J.B.W.A. will have stalls at the sale.

The response to the invitation by the W.A. on November 12th to a Shower for the Sale of Work was excellent, and they wish to thank the many friends who so kindly contributed the beautiful and useful articles for it.

The members of the Senior W.A. were the guests of the E.B.W.A. at their meeting on October 27th. Discussion took place as to how both branches could co-operate in their work for the Church. It was a very happy meeting and we feel sure that much good will come of it.

The Juniors did a good little missionary job recently when they canvassed the Parish for bundles for the Social Service Bale of the W.A. Their efforts were very successful, and we commend their leader, Mrs. Peterson, for introducing this part of the W.A. and Church's work to the girls. Again we should like to thank all those who helped by contributing.

Mrs. J. R. Heckley is playing the organ while Mr. Snape is away on holidays. We are indeed very fortunate in having Mrs. Heckley come to our aid in this way whenever necessary and we do appreciate it. We could do with some more voices in the Chair, and if anyone can help with this work please get in touch with the Vicar.

The Sunday School White Gift Service will be held on December 14th. In past years the Children of St. Mary's

Sunday School have brought in some lovely presents to be sent to less fortunate children, and we feel sure they will do the same this year.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES:

Choral Celebration of Holy Communion on Christmas Eve at 11.30 p.m.

Holy Communion at 8.00 a.m. Christmas Morning.

FAMILY SERVICE at 11.00 a.m. Christmas Day.

We hope all members of St. Mary's will make an effort to attend one or more of these Services, and that all Communicants will try and make their Christmas Communion at one of the Services of Holy Communion. The 11 o'clock Service on Christmas Morning is essentially a Family Service and we ask all parents to bring their children so that they may realize the full and right significance of Christmas.

WATCH NIGHT SERVICE at 11.30 p.m. New Year's Eve.

We hope that you will try and come to this service, as we feel sure it will be of great help to you in beginning the New Year.

HOLY BAPTISM: November 2nd: Ian Alister MacCrae; November 9th: Stephen Robert Willard Tahir.

The Whist Drives sponsored by the Vestry in October were very successful. They resulted in \$59.85 which will go towards the fuel bill of the Church. We thank all those who helped in the various ways, such as providing the prizes and lunches. It is hoped to have another series of Whist Drives in the New Year.

The Canvass of the town on behalf of the Bible Society resulted in \$117.23, which was much better than last year. We thank our canvassers, Mrs. McComas, Mrs. Kilgour, Mrs. Church, Mrs. McConkey, Mrs. Wachter, and also the members of the G.A. and Don Thrasher for their great help in distributing the literature in advance of the Canvass.



ST. LUKE'S, MAYERTHORPE

Rev. J. Dicker

On September 18th we opened our Parish Hall, holding a Silver Tea. On Sept. 21st we had a visit from our Bishop for Evensong. These visits are always an inspiration of those attending. On Oct. 25th the W.A. sponsored a Chicken Supper serving to over two sundred.

On October 31st, the regular W.A. meeting met at the home of Mrs. Ellis Granley, where plans were made for the Annual Bazaar to be held in our Parish Hall on Sat., Dec. 13th. As there is still an amount of Prints to

be distributed will members please contact Mrs. Harold Grigg, Sewing Convener and obtain same?

The Nov. W.A. meeting will meet at the home of Mrs. G. Edwards, on Nov. 28th.

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Mrs. W. Martin was our delegate to the W.A. Deanery meeting held at Onoway. Mrs. Meiliche from Greencourt also attended.

So far a report of this meeting has not appeared in the Churchman sad to say, as given more publicity, these Deanery meetings, bringing women together from the various W.A. groups in the Diocese could be an important factor in the work of a W.A. member. For the information of all W.A. members, the next meeting is to be held at Kapasiwin around the end of June. Plan now to be there and meet your Co-workers in the Church.

To Mrs. Hooper of Barrhead, who was elected President and Mrs. Esther Kittle of Onoway, Secretary-Treasurer of this Deanery, let's make the next Deanery Meeting "a delegate from every rural church in Pembina!"

On Nov. 2nd the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Martin was baptized Barry Stewart Samuel.



ST. MARY'S, BARRHEAD

The Rev. D. V. A. Browne

Following the Harvest Thanksgiving service on October 19, the congregation gathered at the home of Mr. and Miss Watherston to bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Noel Parsons, who soon will be leaving this district to settle in British Columbia. After refreshments had been served, the vicar spoke of the good work Mr. and Mrs. Parsons have done for many years, both for the community as a whole and for the church at Barrhead. He then presented matching sets of luggage to both as a mark of appreciation and affection from the congregation of the church.

Mr. Oscar Brown has kindly consented to be our organist in place of Mr. Noel Parsons.

The W.A .held a chicken supper on October 22. The affair was an even greater success than was expected or hoped for-well over three hundred suppers were served-no mean feat for a small group of amateur caterers. Rumour had it that when everything was over, all that was left (apart from chicken bones) was one forlorn looking piece of pie. When the last customer had been served and the weary workers had eaten something, the hall was cleared and tables set up for the whist drive for adults, while the children were gathered together for a Treasure Hunt. A lunch was served after the whist, and so ended a most successful and enjoyable evening. It is expected that enough will be cleared from this effort to pay off the greater part of the debt on the Vicarage.

The monthly meeting of the W.A. was held on Nov. 5 at the home of Mrs. E. G. Hooper. Final plans were made for the bazaar to be held the

following week. After tea was served a farewell gift was presented to Mrs. C. Brindley, who is leaving with her husband and family to reside in B.C.

The Altar Guild met on Oct. 28 at the home of Mrs. J. Bennion. It was decided to purchase sufficient material to make a complete set in green.

On Sunday, Nov. 9, there was a celebration of the Holy Communion. At this service as we remembered the supreme sacrifice of Christ's death, we also remembered the men of this parish who answered the call to service in both World Wars, remembering especially the Glorious Dead. It is also of interest to the pioneer residents of this district that the Cross in the Church bears the name of the first clergyman who served in this parish and who was later killed in action in France. The inscription on the Cross reads as follows: "To the Glory of God and the beloved memory of W.L. Seymour Dallas, Priest-in-Charge at Paddle River, 1911-1915. Killed in Action in France, Sept. 20, 1917. 'Faithful unto Death, grant him Thine eternal rest, O Lord."

Baptisms: Charlotte Eileen Turner, Terrance Clifford Brindley, Alvin Dale Thomas.

St. Phillip's, Westlock

The Harvest Thanksgiving Service was held on Sunday evening, Oct. 26. Members of the Ladies' Guild had very artistically decorated the church.

A very successful bazaar and tea was held on Saturday, Nov. 8, under the auspices of the Ladies' Guild. The bazaar was declared open by the Vicar

Holy Matrimony: Donald Alexander Watt and Beatrice Kate Bullough Ronden, both of Westlock, on October 18.

St. Stephen's, Sunnybank

Mr. and Mrs. Sexty of Pibroch and their three children are leaving Canada at the end of November for an extended visit to their relatives in England, while Mrs. R. Grant has travelled in the opposite direction for a visit to B.C.

St. Aidan's, Glenreagh

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kilshaw have just returned from a long holiday in England

Mr. and Mrs. A. Goode are sailing from Canada, Nov. 29, for a visit to England.

THE ONOWAY MISSION

Canon J. C. Matthews

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Mrs. Kettle will sail for England on December 20th. She has been a most faithful organist, facing rain, mud and cold. Wewish her a very pleasant voyage and a not-too-long-delayed return.

The J.W.A. meets on Monday afternoon at 3:30. Mrs. Dales is the superintendent; Vicky Calder is president; Shirley Roberts, vice-president; Audrey Kittle the secretary.

Mrs. Reiner has organized two well patronized whist drives in aid of the Christmas Party for the Church School and Little Helpers.

At St. Matthew's, Duffield, a very nice altar cushion for the Missal has been presented by Mrs. Rowe, the wife of the Rector's Warden.

At St. Paul's, Evansburg, on Nov. 2nd, Ronald William Schroder was baptized.

All Saints', Seba Beach

On October 26th, Evensong was held by the Rev. Canon J. C. Matthews, followed by Holy Communion the next day at 8 a.m.

November 9th, Evensong was held at 2:30 p.m. by the Ven. S. F. Tackaberry.

We appreciate these two priests coming so far to take services for us, from Onoway and Edmonton, and hope our people will make every effort to attend.

It has been arranged services are held every two weeks, the second Sundays of the month at 2:30 p.m. and fourth Sundays at 11, a.m. with Holy Communion.

Any change of date or time will be put up in the Post Office.

Gainford

The Sunday School that was organized last year is progressing and increasing in numbers under the able leadership of Mrs. H. K. McLaughlin and Mrs. H. A. Thompson.

The young people meet each week with their teachers for a choir practice, and the singing in Sunday School is a credit to them. The parents are invited to attend whenever possible.

A special service was held on Children's Day when Miss Camp was present to address the young people.



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Rural Deanery of Vermilion

ST. SAVIOUR'S

The Rev. T. Teape

The Senior Choir is now working under the direction of Mr. Tom Watts. Practices have been held from time to time after the church services and it is hoped soon to hold them in the midweek as well. Work has been begun on the Christmas music.

Mrs. Day has very kindly consented to lead the junior choir. Regular practices have been held on Thursdays after school and the members have shown an enthusiastic response. The juniors will sing at the Family Service held on the fourth Sunday of the month.

The Sunday School has been reorganized after the holidays under the able leadership of Mrs. Davidson. Helping her with the classes are Audrey Watts, Ruth Simonsen and Shirley Davidson. The Rev. L. A. C. Smith gave invaluable help and direction in the matter of purchasing supplies and in other phases of Sunday School work The attendance so far is between twenty and thirty.

Services have been discontinued at Pleasant Valley, but it is hoped that one or two more services may be held at Christ Church, Ottawa, if the weather does not become too severe. The newly erected stove in the Ottawa church seems to work very efficiently and we are indebted to the men who did the job of putting it up.

All members of the congregation are reminded that the evening service on the Sunday before Christmas will be a Carol Service. Let no one hesitate to make a joyful noise on this occasion.

Among those who have paid extended visits to the parish recently are the Ven. Archdeacon Tackaberry and the Rev. L. A. C. Smith. Both of them renewed acquaintance with many old friends and made a lot of new ones. We are afraid that they both needed a rest-cure after the hectic day and night schedule they followed while in Vermilion.

The W.A. is actively preparing for the tea and sale of work which they are putting on in the Elk's Hall on December 5th. Mrs. Sinclair, who has been acting as President since the departure of Mrs. Leversedge, has gone to the Pacific Coast for a short visit.

The passing to his Maker is recorded of Sidney E. Barwick at the age of 80 years. A Christian of high ideals, he served for many years on the vestry of St. Saviour's since moving into Vermilion in 1938. Prior to that he was a staunch supporter of Christ Church in the Ottawa district, 10 miles north of Vermilion. Mr. Barwick died Monday, Nov. 10th. Funeral services were held Nov. 13th.

Happy Hour Group:

A social evening which fully lived up to the name of its sponsors "The Happy Hour Group" of St. Saviour's church, was held in the Masonic hall Nov. 6th. The guests were the husbands of the members of the group, the members of the A.Y.P.A., the senior W.A. members and their husbands, and the Rev. and Mrs. Teape. The program consisted of games, contests, and the serving of refreshments. Everyone joined in wholeheartedly and helped make this a truly enjoyable party. Form A.Y.P.A.:

On the invitation of Mr. Teape a group of young people met at the rectory and after some discussion decided to form a branch of the Anglican Young People's Association. Officers elected were: President, Nelder Boulton; Vice-President, Ellen Snelgrove; Sec.-Treas., Shirley Davidson; Ruth Purser and Brian Campbell-Hope were elected to the fellowship committee.



ST. MARY'S, CLANDONALD

The Rev. W. J. Brant

The October meeting of St. Mary's W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. Ed. Stockwell. In spite of bad roads there were 9 members present, some of them walking out. There was much discussion about the forth-coming bazaar. Given good weather we are hoping for a large attendance.

We were favored by a visit from the Rev. L. Smith with his lantern slides and interesting talk. The few who attended really enjoyed the evening, which ended by refreshments be-

ing served by Mrs. Brant.

We hope to have Mr. Smith pay us another visit later when it is hoped more will be present. The J.W.A. had a nice Hallowe'en party which was enjoyed by all. Thanks are due to the Rev. and Mrs. Brant who helped make the party the success it was.

Holy Matrimony: Oct. 28th, Hildia Fay Goldsmith to William Richard Dorey ,both of Landonville district.

KITSCOTY

Our monthly service was held on Nov. 2nd and the Rev. W. Brant gave us a splendid address on this occasion.

The regular monthly meeting of the W.A. was held Nov. 6th. Nine members and one visitor were present, and plans were made for the bazaar. The President presented a small gift to one of our members who is returning to England with her daughter. We

shall miss her very much. Mrs. A. Potter, the hostess served lunch..

On Nov. 14th the Rev. T. W. Teape officiated at a pretty wedding of Mr. Howard Laurence and Miss Fern Potter. The Church was decorated with yellow 'mums and other flowers, and a large number attended.

CHRIST CHURCH, MANNVILLE

The Rev. V. P. Cole

The regular meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. Manz. Plans were put under way for the Christmas Tea and Bazaar to be held Saturday, December 6th in the Parish Hall.

The Little Helpers' Rally was held Saturday, November t8h. After a Service in Christ Church the Little Helpers adjourned to the Parish Hall where they enjoyed several games before tea was served.

A Remembrance Day Service was held on November 11th in the Orange Hall. The Service was conducted by the Rev. K. C. McLeod and the Rev. V. P. Cole gave the address.

We were very pleased to have Bishop Barfoot with us on November 16th for the occasion of the celebration of the 4t0h Anniversary of Christ Church.

Our thanks to Mrs. R. S. Johnston for the flowers she gave to decorate the Church.

Our thanks also to the ladies of the W.A. for providing the lunch for the Social Hour which followed Evensong.

During the Social Hour Mr. H. Thomas, a member of the original congregation of Christ Church, read a letter from the Rev. W. E. Gilbert. Mr. Gilbert was the incumbent of St. Saviour's, Vermilion and used to come to administer the Sacrament of Holy Communion, as the Mr. Deacon, the first incumbent of Christ Church, was still in Deacon's Orders.

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"I am very delighted to know that Bishop Barfoot will be with you on that very auspicious occasion and may I take the opportunity of extending heartiest congratulations to the past and present officiating clergy, also all officers and members of the congregation on the growth and achievements of the Church, which speaks volumes for the loyal support, and hearty cooperation given to Christ Church in each and every effort. Mrs. Gilbert and I have the sweetest memories of pioneer days and we both unite in wishing the Church and her people every plessing and long continued success and prosperity."

Holy Matrimony: Reuben Robert Attfield and Lillian Helen Lundguist.

ST. ALBAN'S, CHAILEY

The November W.A. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. H. Thomas on November 5. It was decided that the W.A. take their own St. Andrew's Service on November 30 in the church with Mrs. Cornish, Mrs. Saint and Kathleen Sutton taking part. A donation of ten dollars was voted to the Parish Hall, Mannville, to help with the stucco. A bridge party was held at the home of Mrs. R. H. Scott.

Evensong was held October 26, after which there was a short vestry meeting. Plans were made to hold the annual meeting during the last week of November or the first week in December if possible, before the roads blocked with snow. Two auditors were chosen. The financial statement was reviewed and the transportation fund explained by the vicar.

Holy Communion was celebrated on November 9. The Rev. V. Cole announced that a service would next be held on November 30 instead of the 23rd, to take advantage of St. Andrew's-tide.

VEGREVILLE

The Rev. H. Brant

The Rev. H. Brant is now conducting evening services three Sundays every month at Vegreville besides the regular morning services held every Sunday. He is also holding services one Sunday every month at Brosseau. As Brosseau has had no Anglican Church services for several years this will be greatly appreciated by Anglicans in that district.

Members of the W.A. held a farewell party on Thursday, October 23, at the

home of Mrs. Geo. Warren in honor of Mrs. Margaret Nicholls. Mrs. Nicholls, who is moving to Lloydminster, was secretary of the W.A. for the past year. In appreciation she was presented with a cream and sugar set.

The W.A. held a successful Fall Bazaar and Sale of Home Cooking Saturday, October 25.

The G.A. had a table of children's aprons and a fish pond at the bazaar. They had a very successful afternoon and are to be complimented as it was their first endeavor of this kind.

Members of the congregation of St. Mary's gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Duholke for a surprise party held in their honor. At the close of the evening they were presented with a silver cream and sugar set and also an autograph album signed by all present.

Baptisms: Sunday, November 2, Alon William Hayter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hayter of Vegreville.

HOLY TRINITY, SODA LAKE

The service of October 26 was held at the Hairy Hill School just prior to the annual meeting of the local branch of the Bible Society.

Our services have been changed from the second and fourth Sundays of the month to the first and third. This enables Mr. Brant to conduct a service once a month at Brosseau, the first one there being November 9.



Rural Deanery of Wainwright

HOLY TRINITY, TOFIELD

The Rev. E. N. P. Orme

Some of the older scholars accompanied by Mrs. J. W. Robinson and the Vicar attended the rally on Children's Day in All Saints' Cathedral. Congratulations are extended to Kathleen Thomson, who received a prize for her excellent Work Book. It was unfortunate that Kathleen was ill and unable to attend. Kathleen has since received her prize-winning book at Sunday School.

Ten members and one visitor attended the meeting of the W.A. held at the home of Mrs. Holmes on November 6th. After the usual devotionals and Study Book period various items of business were attended to, including preliminary arrangements for the Bazaar to be held in the Curling Rink on December 6th.

Services have been held regularly. The Harvest Thanksgiving Service was held on October 19th at 7:30 p.m. as a joint service with the Lindbrook congregation, whom we were pleased to welcome. The Junior Choir rendered a special anthem. The church was tastefully decorated and after a bright service a social get-together was enjoyed with refreshments in the Parish Hall. The church was well filled.

A Communion Service was held at 10 a.m. on St. Martin's Day, November 11th, followed by Remembrance Day Services at the Cenotaph and the Memorial Hall. A special address was given by the Rev. E. Orme, who is chaplain of the Tofield Branch of the Canadian Legion.

Mrs. George Cookson of the United Church and Mrs. J. W. Robinson wish to thank all who contributed so generously during the two weeks' canvass in the interests of the British and Foreign Bible Society. The response was very gratifying.

The Junior W.A. members have been meeting every two weeks at the Vicarage with Mrs. Orme as leader. They are working for their stripes and are enjoying the Study Book.

Please note that in the October issue of the **Edmonton Churchman** it was mentioned that paid-up subscriptions are necessary to the successful carrying on of any publication. Sincere thanks were extended to all who had paid for 1947 and a reminder to those who had not done so to attend to the matter at once. Will all on our parish list

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December Services

Tofield—Dec. 7th, at 11 a.m., Holy Communion, and Evensong on Dec. 14th and Dec. 21st at 7:30 p.m. and on Dec. 28th at 3 p.m.

Christmas Communion on Dec. 25th at 11 a.m.

Viking—Dec. 7th at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 21st at 3 p.m.

Christmas Communion at 11:30 p.m. on Dec. 24th.

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Lindbrook—Dec. 14th at 3 p.m. and Christmas Communion at 12:00 noon on Dec. 28th.

RODINO

With harvesting completed and weather being exceptionally mild during October, services and meetings were held as scheduled. The W.A. met for their last month's meeting at Mrs. Winfield's home. Arrangements have been made for a Bean Supper, Bazaar and various entertainments to take place on Saturday, Nov. 29, in Rodino Hall. Mrs. S. Daniel gave an interesting study on the Work of the Church in Northern Canada.

The apportionment for this year has now been paid.

An order of beautiful Christmas cards has been received by our secretary for distribution amongst the members. The sale of these should realize a nice sum for the W.A. funds.

The monthly article with which each member answers the roll is proving very interesting. They have varied from household hints and poems to bazaar articles.

November has brought us a surprising amount of snow. However, it didn't hinder the whist drive on Nov. 8, and a good number spent an enjoyable evening.

Holy Communion was held in Rodino School on Nov. 9. The services will now be held in the homes during the winter months. On Nov. 30, St. Andrew's Day and church services will be combined, and held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Revill.

The November meeting of the W.A. has been held a week ahead of schedule to allow for preparations for the social night on Nov. 29. Mrs. S. Daniel served the tea. It appears that there will be a rather interesting miscellaneous bazaar table. We are all hoping for a favorable night.

ST. THOMAS, WAINWRIGHT

The Rev. F. E. Smith

Girls' Auxiliary. Since the departure of Mrs. Kennedy the leadership of this group has been taken over, at the request of the girls, by Mrs. F. E. Smith. There are now eleven members enrolled, all of teen age. Recently they held their first election of officers and the following were chosen by ballot: President, Ruth May; Vice-President, Rose Zykes; Secretary, Jessie Harding; Treasurer, Betty Goble; Program Committee, Mabel Armishaw, Chrissie Steel, Mary Wear and Anne Alexander. Their handicraft project for the present is working with modelling clay and as a result many lovely brooches and earrings are being made. An exciting Hallowe'en party was held recently and a "Sadie Hawkins" party is planned for the near future.

Junior W.A. The leadership of this group has also been taken over by Mrs. F. E. Smith until a suitable leader can be located. The annual election of officers resulted in the following being selected: President, Margaret Wear; Vice-President, Betty Sutherland; Secretary-Treasurer, Shirley Rutherford. These young ladies are also very busy with handicrafts, they are making various things with plaster, and are also making stuffed animals.

A.Y.P.A. Recently a work night was held, with the result that the kindergarten classes of the Sunday School now have nine new stools. The members who preferred to work with needle and thread rather than with hammer and saw commenced the manufacture of kneelers for the church.

Sunday School. Recently the members of the Sunday School attended a White Gift Service and donated a very



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of this parish. The Girls' Auxiliary also donated candy to be included in the gift. The children are very proud of their new Anglican Sunday School Class Pins. The younger children are being taught about the church by means of a very lovely model church which was manufactured by Mrs. Griffiths. The numbers of the Sunday School are steadily increasing and soon the parish hall will not be large enough to adequately accommodate them.

Senior W.A. The Senior W.A. are exceedingly busy preparing for their semi-annual bazaar and tea. This hard-working group of ladies set a very high standard with the articles they make and are a splendid example to the younger groups by showing what can be done by hard work and initiative. We were tremendously sorry to say farewell to Mrs. Jorde, upon her departure to the coast. Mrs. Jodre will be greatly missed in the Sunday School, A.Y.P.A., Choir and W.A.

IRMA

Harvest Thanksgiving service was held at St. Mary's on Sunday, Oct. 19, with the Rev. F. E. Smith officiating. Our church was taxed to overflowing at this service. We were pleased to see some members of the United Church at this service and we welcome them to worship with us at all time. Our finances, which were in a rather precarious state were augmented by a collection of sixty dollars and thanks are expressed to all parishioners at this time for their co-operation.

Following the service a few remarks were heard regarding the necessity of repainting the Church and it is hoped that this work can be undertaken next Spring. Attention is drawn to the change in time of all future services which wlil be held at 2.30 p.m. instead of at 3 p.m. as during the summer months.

The Ladies' Auxiliary held their October meeting at the home of Mrs. Targett. At this meeting final arrangements

were made to hold a sale and tea on Saturday, Nov. 15th.

ST. MARGARET'S, BATTLE HEIGHTS

Sunday, October 12th quite a number of the congregation of St. Margaret's gathered at Battle Heights for service. The Rev. F. E. Smith gave a very interesting description of the meaning of Holy Baptism.

Following this the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bacon was baptized, William Wayland, with Miss Ethel Bacon and Mr. Alfred Bacon and Mr. Frank Crabb acting as godparents. Arrangements were made at this service to hold our annual Thanksgiving service on the next church Sunday.

Sunday, October 26th was observed as Thanksgiving for our congregation. The decorating was done prior to the service and although we had hail in our district this summer, everyone brought a few things and the display was very nice. It was good to see a full congregation as during the winter months it is very hard to have every family represented. The service was greatly enjoyed by everyone.

The W.A. met at the home of Mrs. Tindall on Nov. 5th with a full attendance. The Annual meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. Adams, Nov. 25th.

On Nov. 9th, the Little Helper's rally was held during church service, after which the children enjoyed treats provided by the ladies of the congregation.



ST. MARY'S, EDGERTON The Rev. W. D. Ellway

The winter has now set in, and as always, winter weather tends to make us avoid doing many of the things that we do when the weather is more favourable. Our daily duties still have to be done, however, and so it is to be hoped that we all will regard regular worship of God as an essential duty, and act accordingly. To help everyone, it is proposed to celebrate Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m. instead of 8.30 a.m., commencing on Advent Sunday. Attendance at this service has been deplorable of late, and once again let us remind ourselves that this is the central service of the Church and act accordingly.

The W.A. held a very successful chicken supper on Oct. 21st. The ladies worked very hard indeed and reaped an excellent reward.

The Junior W.A. commenced their meetings on Nov. 18th at the Rectory. Mrs. Ellway is leading the group this year, and we hope the results will be as good as in former years, when the work was done so splendidly under Mrs. Sawyer's leadership.

A Young People's Club has been commenced and is held in the High School every Wednesday evening. All who attend thoroughly enjoy themselves, but we do wish that some of the parents and others would come along too. We guarantee an entertaining evening. We called it a Young People's Club for want of a more comprehensive name, but the youthfulness of a person is not necessarily judged by the years of his or her life.

The Harvest Services at all points in the parish were held early in October, and were well attended. The rector thanks all those who gave the fruit and vegtables and is so grateful for them.

ST. PATRICK'S, HEATH

Services have been held regularly with the usual good attendance. The Sunday School at Heath, the only one in the Parish that the rector can comment upon as he never sees the others is increasing in numbers and in its standard of learning. One feels that at Heath it has become a foundation stone of the Church.

Holy Baptisms: Nov. 9th, Robert Gibson Fyfe; Bella Jeanette Ford; Carmen Louise Zajic.

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Rural Deanery of Wetaskiwin

IMMANUEL, WETASKIWIN
The Rev. S. J. Bell

We have not been in the news recently, but church activities are in full swing again. Gas has now been installed in the church and vestry. This, we believe, will make for easier heating and greater comfort during the winter months.

The W.A. afternoon branch held a successful tea September 20th. The members are now busy preparing for the annual sale of work, December 7. At a meeting held at Mrs. Compton's, the branches in the Deanery presented Mrs. Barnett, for many years Deanery President, with a lovely framed picture of Sallman's "Head of Christ." The presentation was made by Mrs. Roper, the new Deanery President.

The Evening Group are sponsoring the Little Helpers' Rally being held Oct. 25th. We regret that the president, Mrs. MacFarland and the Little Helpers' Secretary, Mrs. Crook have left us. Mr. and Mrs. MacFarland and family have gone to Winnipeg and Mr. and Mrs. Crook and family to Edmonton. The new president is Mrs. F. Frederickson, the Little Helpers' secretary, Mrs. H. Newby, Jr.

The A.Y.P.A. are off to a good start. There are two new members, and it is hoped there will be some more. The election of officers was held Oct. 14th. and the ceremony of installation on Youth Sunday at morning Prayer. President, Colleen Groves; Vice-president, Bryan Nelson; Secretary, Barbara Gowers; Treasurer, Irene Phay. The Group is to have a stall at the W.A. Sale and Christmas cards are now being sold to help the treasury.

The Sanctuary Guild have ordered a Bishop's Chair for the Sanctuary, a memorial to those who served in the war. While the greater part of the cost is already in hand, it is thought that there will be some who will like to have a part in this memorial, who have not had a chance to do so yet. The Secretary-treasurer is Mrs. M. Higginson.

The Sunday School is doing well. We are in need of extra equipment to properly cope with it. Teachers are: Primary, Edna Loader ,assisted by Shirley Lidgett. Junior, Marjorie Oswald. Intermediates, Colleen Groves. Seniors, the Rector.

McCafferty and Browning

Anglican services have been commenced in this district, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Spencer, to whom our most grateful thanks are due. Attendance has not been too good, but members are not necessarily the all important point. The Rector is only too willing to go "wherever two or three are gathered together."

We are pleased to welcome a number of newcomers (some have been here a little time now). Mr. and Mrs. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. Lorimer, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Miss Irene Phay.

Wedding—October 8th. Leonard John Roberts and Olive Isabelle Josephine McCrindle.

CAMROSE

On Sunday, November 9th our A.Y. P.A. had their Corporate Communion Service, followed by breakfast in the Guild Room. Before leaving, Bill Blades on behalf of the young people, presented Canon and Mrs. Wallis with a gift, expressing their expressing their for their interest and co-operation at all times. The Rector, responding, thanked them, adding that the greatest gift the young people could offer to Mrs. Wallis and himself, would be the loyal support of their new Rector.

The flowers on the Altar for Remembrance Sunday were from Mr. and Mrs. A. E. F. Cary and family (Stettler), in memory of David. They were very beautiful.

We wish you a very Happy Christmas, and may the New Year be strong with courage and hopefulness making us worthy to attempt great things for Christ and His Church.

Congratulations to Eleanor Lomas on D.B.R.E. examination.

Baptism:-Marjorie Jean Ernst.

We enjoyed having with us again the Rev. E. Heuer of the British and Foreign Bible Society, and will remember that the Bible is the "most up-to-date Book there is".

On Wednesday evening, November 19th, we held a "farewell" party for

our Rector and Mrs. Wallis, not forgetting Mrs. Noland. The Hall was crowded, and people came from near and far. The first and most impressive part of the programme was a short service held in the Church when Mrs. Wallis was made a Life Member of the W.A., the gift of the W.A., and two Groups. Canon Wallis read the Service and Mrs. S. F. Tackaberry, Diocesan President, presented her with the Certificate and pin, assisted by Mrs. Maglis. A bouquet of carnations also was presented to Mrs. Wallis.

Returning to the Hall, we enjoyed the Kodachrome pictures shown by Dr. H. B. Ness and Mr. W. F. Grafton.

The presentation of gifts followed—to the Rector and Mrs. Wallis and to Mrs. Noland—many beautiful gifts, all given with varying expressions of affection. Over a number of years a clergyman and his wife grow into the lives of their people; they have shared so much. This was conveyed beautifully by Mr. H. Holloway on presenting Canon Wallis with his gift from the Church and congregation. The Leaders of Groups— Mrs. Pelan, Mrs. Cliff Bradley and Eleanor Lomas, each did their part, and Mrs. Maglis acting for the W.A. remembered Mrs. Noland. The Rector expressed his thanks in an appropriate and heart-warming manner, and later Mrs. Wallis spoke to us too.

We were so very glad to have Mrs. Tackaberry with us, and appreciated her greetings from the Diocesan Board and her brief talk.

To our Rector and Mrs. Wallis—we wish you "Godspeed".

ST. DUNSTAN'S, BITTERN LAKE

In the absence of the Rector, Canon C. F. A. Clough of Edmonton took the service here, Sunday, Nov. 2nd.

The W.A. are making plans for a sale of work to be held early in December. It is expected that definite trangements will be made at their ext meeting at the home of Mrs. E. R. Ochsner, Nov. 27th.

The Rev. H. O. T. Burkwell, of the British and Foreign Bible Society, gave an interesting address at the regular morning service, Nov. 16th.

ST. MARY'S, PONOKA

The Rev. F. A. Peake

The Vestry report that the Rummage Sale held in the Elks' Hall on October



25th was a financial success. They wish to thank all who assisted and donated to this sale.

The Evening Group report that two of their members, Mrs. Braadseth and Mrs. S. Hickmore, have moved away. Presentations were made to both. The hostesses for the two fall meetings were Mrs. Robert Sompshor in September and Mrs. Peake in October. Meeting nights have been changed to the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. They are planning a table of fancywork and home cooking for the Fall Bazaar.

The Afternoon Group met at the Parish Hall with Mrs. Gordon and Mrs. Paterson as hostesses. They voted \$2.00 to the Diocesan Dorcas Fund. Arrangements were made for the W.A. Corporate Communion on November 30th. Committees were set up for the Fall Bazaar which is to be held in the Elks' Hall on November 22nd: Mrs. Paterson, fancy work table; Mrs. Northcott, home cooking table; Mrs. Rees, white elephant table; Mrs. Young, tea tables.

Mrs. Rees is in charge of the sale of calendars.

SEDGEWICK-HARDISTY

The Rev. W. Brooks

A tremendous amount of work and planning has resulted in very successful sales of work at Killam, Sedgewick and Hardisty, whilst at Lougheed the W.A. branch catered to an auction sale at a local farm. Despite winter conditions of heavy snow and biting cold they too had gratifying results. This is again an illustration of the devotion to good works of our people and their demonstration that the church has a message in our time that requires support. We pray for their continued support, and may their good work continue.

The many friends of Mrs. Anderson, our faithful organist at Killam, will be glad to know she is rapidly recovering from her recent experience of exposure and shock.

On Oct. 30, the Little Helpers gathered at Sedgewick for their annual service. Mrs. G. Tanton read the roll and the annual report. The day ended with a party for the children at which many parents were present. We ask that this aspect of the work of our church be given increased attention and encouragement. The civilization of the future is in the hands of today's children; let it be a Christian civilization. Lougheed has formed a branch of Little Helpers, and Mrs. J. Barthel has undertaken its guidance. This together with the continued interest in the S.S. here is very encouraging.

We are very glad to announce the installation of an altar at Hardisty, and our sincere thanks are extended to all at Camrose who have made this possible much sooner than we had hoped.

The W.A. met at Mrs. B. Matthews' home Oct. 19th and presented Mrs. Young with an inscribed B.C.P. as a token of the regard with which Mrs. Young has been held in her long association with the work of the church here. In reply, the recipient told of her 26 years' association with the W.A. and of her connection with S. Stephen's in Edmonton recently established. We wish her long and continued happiness and assure her new parish that they have a very loyal churchwoman.

A vestry meeting at Hughenden recorded the retirement of Mr. Stubbs from the position of Rector's Warden due to ill health. We express our thanks for his work in the past and pray that he will improve physically with the release from business pressure and other cares. We know his interest in the church will continue. Mr. Betts accepted the invitation to become Warden, and Secretary-Treasurer, pro tem, while his sister, a recent arrival in this country and an addition to our congregation, volunsteered to take care of our altar linen. We are grateful for the continuity of *Lay help upon which so much of our work depends if it is to be a success.

Baptism: Mary Joyce Swelin, 26th October, Holy Trinity, Hughenden.



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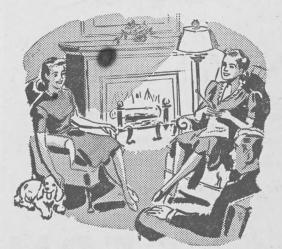
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